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Great Britain. Exchequer.

LAY SUBSIDY ROLL,

A.D. 1603,

FOR

THE COUNTY OF WORCESTER.

EDITED FOR

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BY

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INTRODUCTION.

THIS Roll has come, among a number of old deeds, into the possession of Mr. F. S. Pearson, a member of the Society, who has kindly allowed it to be printed. No copy of it is in the Record Office, and therefore it seemed well to print it at once, without waiting for the time when it would fall into its place in the series of Rolls which the Society is publishing in chronological order; if the present opportunity of publishing a roll in private hands is not seized, it may not be attainable when in the future it is wanted.

The Roll relates to the Hundreds of Halfshire and Doddingtree, two of the five Hundreds into which the county of Worcester is divided, those two which form the Northern part of the county. It consists of six membranes sewn together at one end, written on back and front, and is in good preservation, only one small portion being too faded to be legible. The Commissioners, Richard Walshe and Edward Pytts, both appear in the Roll under Clifton and Kyre Wyard respectively; the Collector, Henry Cookes, also appears under Tardebigge; all these being members of well-known Worcestershire families. The circumstances under which the sums came to be collected are sufficiently clear from the preamble of the Roll itself.

In one of the publications of the Surtees Society, *Rural Economy in Yorkshire in 1641*, being the farming and account books of Henry Best of Elmswell¹, several details are given relating to the collecting of a subsidy at a period a little later than that of the present Roll. After dealing with the manner of appointing collectors and the fees that were paid, the account goes on to say, "the wealthiest and most able subsidy men are always set down as so much *in terris*, and the meaner sort of them *in bonis*; as for Recusants, they are always rated *per pole*, viz. 8*d.* a man.

¹ Surtees Society, vol. xxxiii. 1857.

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From this we might gather that the amount of the subsidy to be provided by each parish was a fixed sum, as is the quota of the Land-tax of the present day, and that it was apportioned symmetrically by the parish assessors among the most responsible parishioners, without regard to their actual means, and that the persons named in the subsidy roll were a kind of collector responsible not only for their own share but for those of several of their humbler neighbours; and while it is clear from the roll itself that all persons whose riches were below 20s. in lands or 60s. in goods, who might reside in a parish, are not mentioned, it by no means follows that all those of superior rank are included, as they might not have been made subsidy-men, and their contributions to the taxation would go to swell the shares of other persons. That the sums were arbitrarily apportioned is clear also from the statement that a Justice of the Peace was usually assessed at £10 in lands. And so it follows that the lists found in a subsidy roll for any village must not necessarily be taken to include all even of the property-holding inhabitants, or to give the actual extent of any one's property¹.

The following list gives the names of the villages which were assessed to this subsidy in the two Hundreds with which this roll deals; and the amounts paid by the inhabitants of each. I have not attempted to make any additions, but have accepted the figures of the roll as they stand. It will at once be seen that the richest parishes, measured by their taxation, were not to be found in what are now the manufacturing districts.

D, Doddingtree.			H, Halfshire.				
Name.			Hundred.	Tax.			Page.
				£	s.	d.	
Abberley	...	...	D	5	18	4	25
Alton	...	...	D	1	13	4	26
Astley	...	...	D	5	10	0	28

¹ Probably all down the years subsidies had been assessed in this manner, from the times of the Danegeld and Domesday Book. Professor Maitland in *Domesday Book and Beyond*, p. 120, says, "The geld is a land tax, a tax of so much per head or per carucate. In all likelihood it has been assessed according to a method we might call sub-partitioned provincial quotas. The assump-

tion has been made that a shire or other large district contains a certain number of hides; this number has then been apportioned among the hundreds of the shire, and the number allotted to each hundred has been apportioned among the vills of that hundred. The common result is that some even number of hides, five, ten, or the like, is attributed to that vill."

Name.	Hundred.	Tax.			Page.
		£	s.	d.	
Bayton ...	D	3	3	9½	27
Belbroughton ...	H	5	8	2½	1
Bentley Pauncefote ...	H	2	13	4	2
Berrington ...	D	2	10	4	23
Bewdley ...	D	11	12	0	20
Bocleton ...	D	5	12	4	22
Bromsgrove ...	H	15	17	7½	2
Chaddesley Corbett ...	H	8	18	0	4
Church Lench ...	H	1	0	0	5
Churchill ...	H	0	17	0	5
Clifton ...	D	12	4	4	30
Cofton Hackett ...	H	2	0	0½	5
Coniswick, <i>with</i> Ribbesford ...	D				
Cradley ...	H	3	10	7	5
Crowle Pars ...	H	1	19	9½	6
Doddenham ...	D	0	18	0	28
Dodderhill, <i>with</i> Wychbold ...	H				
Doverdale ...	H	2	3	4	6
Droitwich ...	H	12	16	6	6
Dudley ...	H	3	3	8	7
Eastham ...	D	2	12	4	23
Elmbridge ...	H	3	16	0	8
Elmley Lovett ...	H	6	0	4	8
Feckenham and Home ...	H	11	0	3	9
Frankley ...	H	7	19	4	10
Grafton ...	H	6	13	4	10
Hadsor ...	H	1	5	4	11
Hagley ...	H	2	14	10	10
Hampton Lovett ...	H	7	6	4	11
Hanley Child ...	D	1	6	0	24
Hanley William and Orleton ...	D	2	4	0	24
Hollin, <i>with</i> Ribbesford ...	H				
Kidderminster Borough ...	D	10	11	3½	11
Kidderminster Foreign ...	H	7	3	4	12
Kingford ¹ ...	H	0	8	0	15
Kington ...	H	2	12	0	15

¹ Probably *Kingford*, in the parish of Worcester.

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Name.			Hundred.	Tax.			Page.
				£	s.	d.	
King's Norton	H	21	1	11½	13
Kyre Parva	D	2	7	8	25
Kyre Wyard	D	4	3	4	25
Lindon and Lindon ¹	...	...	D	3	17	6	27
Lindridge and Members	...	...	D	9	2	8	32
Ludley ²	...	...	H	1	3	8	15
Mamble	...	...	D	3	17	0	29
Martley...	...	...	D	10	1	4	31
Moore, <i>with</i> Ribbesford	...	...	D				
Northfield	...	...	H	4	19	8	16
Oldswinford and Stourbridge	...	...	H	4	10	0	16
Orleton, <i>with</i> Hanley William	...	...	D				
Over Milton	...	...	H	0	16	0	17
Pedmore	...	...	H	1	1	4	17
Redditch, <i>with</i> Tardebigge	...	...	H				
Redmarley Oliver and Adam	...	...	D	5	3	0	26
Ribbesford and Members	...	...	D	2	13	4	29
Rushock	...	...	H	2	15	8	17
Salwarp	...	...	H	4	18	7	18
Shelsley Beauchamp	...	...	D	3	13	9½	26
Shelsley Kings	...	...	D	3	10	0	32
Shrawley	...	...	D	3	3	8	28
Sneade, <i>with</i> Ribbesford	...	...	D				
Stanford	...	...	D	5	6	8	24
Stildon, <i>with</i> Ribbesford	...	...	D				
Stockton	...	...	D	2	0	0	29
Stone	...	...	H	3	2	4	18
Stourbridge, <i>with</i> Oldswinford	...	...	H				
Sutton Sturmy	...	...	D	3	11	0	23
Tardebigge and Redditch	...	...	H	4	4	8½	19
Tenbury	...	...	D	3	19	8	22
Upton Warren	...	...	H	3	15	0	19
Warley	...	...	H	1	17	9½	19
Wychbold and Dodderhill	...	...	H	3	17	0	

¹ I cannot identify these places, but there is a Worsley Farm in the parish of Rock, which is not mentioned in the Roll.

² Lutley in Halesowen.

LAY SUBSIDY ROLL, 1603.

WIGORN : 1603. To Henry Cookes of the parish of Terdebigg, within the County of Worcester, gent., high COLLECTOR appointed in the hundreds of the HALF SHIRE and DODINGTREE within the said County.

These shall be to require you and in the King's Majesty's name straightly to charge you that speedily and diligently you do levy and gather to his highness's use the particular sums of money rated and taxed upon every the persons hereafter in Six Schedules mentioned for the of the Third of the Four Subsidies granted to our late sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth and her successors by Act of Parliament in the three and fortieth year of Her Majesty's reign, and that you do not only make payment thereof in the King's Majesty's receipt of Exchequer at such day and times as is limited in the said Act, but also yield your account for the same accordingly as you will for the contrary answer at your peril. Written and Sealed by us his Highness's Commissioners for the same the second day of May in the year of our sovereign Lord James, by the grace of God of England, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, etc., the first and of Scotland the xxxvith.

RICH. WALSHE. EDWARDE PYTTS.

HUNDRED DE DIMIDII COMITATIS.

BELL BROUGHTON.

Humfridus Perott, gen.	in terris <i>iiii<i>l</i>i</i> .	<i>viijs.</i>
Johannes Paggett, gen.	in terris <i>iiii<i>l</i>i</i> .	<i>viijs.</i>
Johannes Penn	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Penn	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Hurtle	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Crumpe	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Yeate	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Cole	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Griffinus Tolly	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>

Elizabetha Wheeler, vidua	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Willelmus Waldren	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Willelmus Cole	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Henricus Smythe	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Gilbertus Cole	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vix viij ^{ss}
Edwardus Lyndon	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Johannes Lyndon	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Ricardus Pryne	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Thomas Ffownes	in bonis iij ^{ss} vix iij ^{ss}	vi. vix ob. qv.
Ricardus Harrys	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Ricardus Griffyn	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Christophorus Wassell	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Oswaldus Penn	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Johannes Heymyngs	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.

Summa vii viij^{ss} iij^{ss} ob. qv.

BENTLEY PAUNCEFOOTE

Henricus Mascall	in terris xix.	vi iij ^{ss}
Thomas Mascall	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Willelmus Steward	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Johannes Baylles	in terris xxx.	ijx viij ^{ss}
Edwardus Jefferys, gen.	in bonis viij ^{ss}	xix viij ^{ss}
Thomas Cockes	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vix viij ^{ss}
Johannes Stanley	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vix viij ^{ss}
Willelmus Cartwryte	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Johannes Mayre	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.
Ricardus Leawys	in bonis iij ^{ss}	vi.

Summa iij^{ss} iij^{ss}

BROMESGROVE

Willelmus Barnesley, gen.	in terris lxx.	xxiiij ^{ss}
Thomas Ffownes, gen.	in terris viij ^{ss}	xvix.
Willelmus Sheldon, gen.	in terris vii xs	xxix. viij ^{ss}
Willelmus Baylles	in terris vii.	xxix iij ^{ss}
Willelmus Chaunce, gen.	in terris xix.	vi iij ^{ss}
Thomas Wykes	in terris xix.	vi iij ^{ss}
Rogerus Lowe	in terris iij ^{ss}	viij ^{ss}
Johannes Carpenter	in terris xix.	vi iij ^{ss}

Richard Burneford	in terris <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Willelmus Crabbe	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Willelmus Bowden	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Wheller	in terris <i>xxxij. s. iiijd.</i>	<i>iijs. vd. ob.</i>
— Hill de Woodrow	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Johannes Orford	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Kimberley, gen.	in terris <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Johannes Clerke, gen.	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Brane	in terris <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Willelmus Parr	in terris <i>xxvjs. viijd.</i>	<i>iijs. vjd. ob. qr.</i>
Thomas Tibson	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Simon Ffownes	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Thomas Carpenter	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johanna Sitch, vid.	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Baker de la Brook	in terris <i>xxvjs. viijd.</i>	<i>iijs. vjd. ob. qr.</i>
Willelmus Ashwell	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>iijs.</i>
Willelmus Brook	in terris <i>xxxvjs. viijd.</i>	<i>iijs. vjd. ob. qr.</i>
Richardus Hill	in terris <i>xxxij. s. iiijd.</i>	<i>iijs. vd. ob.</i>
Willelmus Cartledge	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Bromyche	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Higgs	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Martinus Cotterell	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Tilte	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Gilbertus Lillye	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Cookes	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Ricardus Baker	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Knighte	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Moy	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Higgins	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Fflavell	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Richardus Darbie	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Robertus Caldwell, gen.	in bonis <i>vl.</i>	<i>viijs. viijd.</i>
Gilbertus Butler, gen.	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Rogerus Badger	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Lynold	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Westwood	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Ffaytinge	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Wylkes	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Taylor	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Johannes Sowthall	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Galfridus Fynch	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Payton, sen.	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Ricardus Hamlett	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Hugo Dixon	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Laurencius Tomson	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Goddard, gen.	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Shawe	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Margareta Perks, vidua	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Galfridus Mason, sen.	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Henricus Engley	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Darbie	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Ricardus Holmer	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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ELMBRIDGE.

Edwardus Danett, arm.	in terris <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xiijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Talbott, gen.	in terris <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xiijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Edmundus Purshall, gen.	in terris <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Edmundus Mannyng, gen.	in terris <i>ls.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Thomas Palmer	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Norreys	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Fulco Bourne	in bonis <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xs.</i>
Philippus Hanbury	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Strainge	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Gilbertus Bourne	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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ELMLEY LOVETT.

Johannes Acton, arm.	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xxvjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Philippus Smyth	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>s.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Phelicia Pooler, vidua	in bonis <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Philippus Best	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Phillipus Insoll	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Stephanus Inne	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Elizabetha Acton, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Franciscus Mowle	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Alicia Riall, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Wollaston	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Camell	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Ricardus Pooler	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Ricardus Bacon	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Hanbury	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Johannes Best	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Philippus Hanbury	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Humfridus Clerk	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Philippus Stower	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.

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FECKENHAM AND HOME.

Thomas Leighton, miles	in terris <i>xx<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>liijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Humfridus Jennetts, arm.	in terris <i>vij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xviijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Robertus Marten, gen.	in terris <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Walterus Hanbury, gen.	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>s.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Arthurus Bagshawe, gen.	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>s.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Jacobus Button, gen.	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Margareta Hanbury, vidua	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>s.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Hewes	in terris <i>xxvjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>	<i>lijs. v<i>d</i>. ob. q<i>r</i></i>
Margeria Hewes, vidua	in terris <i>xxvjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>	<i>lijs. v<i>d</i>. ob. q<i>r</i>.</i>
Henricus Heynes	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>s.</i>	<i>vs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Heredes Galfridi Edgok	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Henricus Hobday	in terris <i>xxxiijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>	<i>iiijs. v<i>d</i>. ob.</i>
Edwardus Harecourt	in terris <i>xxxs.</i>	<i>iiijs.</i>
Heredes Johannis Bourne	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Dyson	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Hugo Handy	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johanna Payton, vidua	in bonis <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Butler	in bonis <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Hobday alias Lacy	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Walterus Bonde	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Henricus Boulton	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Boulton	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Cookes	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Johannes Clerke	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Walterus Smyth	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>

Georgius Butler	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Smyth	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas (?) Hewes de Home	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Handie	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Robertus Bell alias Daniel	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Anthonius Boulton	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *xli. iiijd.*

FRANKLEY.

Heredes Johannis Littelton	in terris <i>li.</i>	<i>vjl. xiiis. iiijd.</i>
Robertus Gower	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Smythe	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Hawks	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Smyth	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Harrys	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Rosa Cooke, vidua	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Haselwood, gen.	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Lloyd	in bonis <i>iiijd.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *vijl. xixs. iiijd.*

GRAFTON.

Johannes Talbot, arm.	in terris <i>li.</i>	<i>vjl. xiijs. iiijd.</i>
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Summa *vjl. xiijs. iiijd.*

HAGGLEY.

Rogerus Pen, gen.	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Rogerus Sparry	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Grove	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Ricardus Penn	in terris <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>xs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Davys	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Nott	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Johannes Higgins	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Perkes	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Jeston	in bonis <i>iiijl. xs.</i>	<i>vs. xd.</i>
Johannes Daunser	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Toy	in bonis <i>iiijl.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *liiijjs. xd.*



Isabella Ffeeld de Wether-		
ock Hill	in terris xxxs.	iijs.
Johannes Sergeant	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Johannes Prettie, junior	in terris xxxs.	iijs.
Baldewinus Lyndon	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Johannes Moore	in terris xxs.	ijs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Willelmus Ffeeld de Headley	in terris xxs.	ijs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Ricardus Fox, gen.	in terris xxxiijs. iiij <i>d.</i>	iijs. <i>vd. ob.</i>
Ricardus Gilbert	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d.</i>
Stephanus Harrison	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Willelmus Ffitter de Hawks-		
low	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Johannes Swyft	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d.</i>
Arthurus Bellamy	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Thomas Collyns	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Thomas Lea	in terris xxxvjs. viij <i>d.</i>	iijs. <i>xd. ob. qr.</i>
Edwardus Greene	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d.</i>
Franciscus Baker	in terris xxxs.	iijs.
Henricus Kilcup	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d.</i>
Henricus Shawe	in terris iiij <i>li.</i>	iijs.
Ricardus Greaves, gen.	in bonis <i>vjli.</i>	xs.
Thomas Greaves, gen.	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Walterus Potton	in bonis <i>vjli.</i>	xs.
Willelmus Collyns	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d.</i>
Thomas Ffreeth	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i> xvs.	vjs. <i>xjd.</i>
Thomas Greaves, sen.	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d.</i>
Thomas Gandie	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vjs. iiij <i>d.</i>
Ricardus Poole	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Ffeeld de Inckford	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d.</i>
Thomas Greaves, junior	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Thomas Carter	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Rogerus Kettle	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Abell Mydlemoore, gen.	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Avenant	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Wyllys	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d.</i>
Daniel Pynnynge	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Willelmus Bissell	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Thomas Lyndon	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.
Willelmus Ffitter de Mosley	in bonis iiij <i>li.</i>	vs.

Walterus Hilman	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Bate	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Roper	in bonis <i>iijs. vs.</i>	<i>vs. vd.</i>
Ricardus Abovewater	in bonis <i>iiijls.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Neway	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Kettle	in bonis <i>iijd.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Blune	in bonis <i>iijd.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Moore	in bonis <i>iijd.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *xxls. js. xjd. gr.*

KINGTON.

Edwardus Rowse et Willelmus Ffortescue, armigeri, pro terris Anthonii Woolmer generosi nuper defuncti, quas tenent pro executione testamenti

predicti Anthonii	in terris <i>viijs.</i>	<i>xxjs. iiijd.</i>
Henricus Arber, gen.	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Humfridus Hunt	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Chaundler	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Woolmer, gen.	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Hale	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Moxon	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Smythe	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *lijs.*

LUDLEY.

Georgius Grove	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Whyte	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Hill	in bonis <i>iiijls.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Wood	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Hassould	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *xxiijs. viijd.*

KINGFORD.

Hugo Jones	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Franciscus Talbot	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>

Summa —.

NORTHFIELD.

Willelmus Sparry, gen.	in terris <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>xs. viijd.</i>
Heredes Gilberto Andrewes et Dorotheæ Andrewes alias Holmes	in terris <i>xl.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Robertus Preest	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Geast	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Baker	in bonis <i>vi.</i>	<i>viijs. iiijd.</i>
Edwardus Geast, gen.	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Shawe	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Horton	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Chambers	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Smyth de Jenners	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Humfridus Trowte	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Blume	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Wilson	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Pritchett	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Geast, smythe	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Holmes	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Smythe	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Robertus Roo	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Phelicia Corser, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *iiij/l. xixs. viijd.*

OLDSWINFORD AND STOURBRIDGE.

Henricus Adenbroke	in terris <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>xs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Mylward	in terris <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Edwardus Bradeley	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>iiij.</i>
Thomas Walton	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>iiij.</i>
Willelmus Horneblower	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Ricardus Bradeley	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Whyte	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>iiij.</i>
— Wakeley, vidua	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>iiij.</i>
Ricardus Wheeler	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Whyte	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Owinus Ffoster	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Edwardus Best	in bonis <i>iiij/l.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Nicholaus Baker	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Sparry	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Harrison	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>
Richard Smart	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Hassould	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Rock	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *iiij*l**. *xs.*

OVER MITTON.

Simon Nutt	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i></i> .
Edwardus Pillett	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Edwardus Nutt	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Johannes Hoork	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Johannes Monyng et Elin- ora Bibb	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .

Summa *xvjs.*

PEDMORE.

Willelmus Harte	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i></i> .
Elizabetha Penn, vidua	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Thomas Cheltnam	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Johannes Paggett	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Johannes Tyrer, gen.	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i></i> .
Johannes Holte	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .

Summa *xxjs. iiij*d**.

RUSHOKE.

Thomas Russell, arm.	in terris <i>vij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>xvijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Philippus Insoll	in terris <i>ls.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Franciscus Yeates	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i></i> .
Willelmus Osbourne	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Thomas Haynam	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Thomas Nashe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i></i> .
Alicia Webbe, vidua	in bonis <i>vij<i>l</i></i> .	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *lvs. viij*d**.

SALWARP.

Sherington Talbott, arm.	in terris xiijs. vjs. viijd.	xxxvs. ijd. ob. gr.
Thomas Trimnell, gen.	in terris vii.	xiijs. iiijd.
Willelmus Amphlett	in terris xls.	vs. iiijd.
Willelmus Hoxley	in terris xls.	vs. iiijd.
Stephanus Richardson	in terris xls.	vs. iiijd.
Johannes Woodhowse	in terris xxxvjs. viijd.	iijs. vjd. ob. gr.
Johannes Ffrench	in terris xxxvjs. viijd.	iijs. vjd. ob. gr.
Johannes Callowe	in terris xxxvjs. viijd.	iijs. vjd. ob. gr.
Ricardus Walford	in terris xxs.	ijs. viijd.
Catherina Hill, vidua	in terris xxs.	ijs. viijd.
Helena Elly, vidua	in terris xxs.	ijs. viijd.
Willelmus Woodhowse	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Walterus Dugard	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Johannes Staunton	in bonis iij/i.	vs.

Summa iij/i. xviijs. vij.

STONE.

Humfridus Lircock	in terris xxxs.	iijs.
Anna Broade, vidua	in bonis vii.	viijs. iiijd.
Johannes Hill	in bonis iij/i.	vjs. viijd.
Rogerus Horneblower	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Franciscus Thatcher	in bonis iij/i.	vjs. viijd.
Ricardus Bacon	in bonis iij/i.	vjs. viijd.
Johannes Horneblower	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Ricardus Clymer, senior	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Ricardus Clymer, junior	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Humfridus Hill	in bonis iij/i.	vs.
Radulphus Eavans	in bonis iij/i.	vs.

Summa iij/i. ijs. iiijd.

TERDEBIGGE AND REDDITCH.

Johannes Carpenter	in terris xxxijs. iiijd.	iijs. vd. ob.
Agneta Mascall, vidua	in terris xxvjs. viijd.	iijs. vjd. ob. gr.
Thomas Harrison	in terris xxs.	ijs. viijd.
Johannes Mylward	in terris xxs.	ijs. viijd.
Ricardus Dowler	in terris xxs.	ijs. viijd.

Ricardus Harrison	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Heredes Willelmi Barbor	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Heathe	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Gilbertus Ffownes	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Dowler	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Florencius Leawes	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Barbor	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Henricus Cookes, gen.	in bonis x <i>li</i> .	xvjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Barbor	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Edmonds	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Johannes Leawes	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Henricus Sheward	in bonis v <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Johannes Atmoore	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.

Summa ii*jli*. iijs. viij*d*. *qr*.

UPTON WARREN.

Johannes Chalton	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Nashe	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Bourne	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Chellingworth	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Ffownes, gen.	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Ffownes	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Henricus Strainge	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Yeate	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Willelmus Norrys	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Ricardus Saunders	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Elizabetha Saunders, vidua	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Phillippus Hill	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> . xs.	vs. x <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Wylde	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> . xs.	vs. x <i>d</i> .
Jacobus Ffayting	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.
Ricardus Courtes	in bonis ii <i>jli</i> .	vs.

Summa ii*jli*. xvs.

WARLEY.

Johannes Whyte	in terris xls.	
Willelmus Ffeldon	in terris xxxijs. iiij <i>d</i> .	iijs. v <i>d</i> . ob.
Ricardus Hadley	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Barnett	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .

Willelmus Westwood	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Hassould	in bonis viij <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Rogerus Hadley	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .

Summa xxxvijs. ix*d*. ob.

WYCHBOULDE AND DODERHILL

Samuel Sands, arm., et Jo-

hannes Harrys, gen.	in terris vj <i>li</i> .	xvjs.
Elinora Brace, vidua	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Perkes, gen.	in terris ls.	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Wheeler, gen.	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Wylde	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Hancox	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johanna Bromley, vidua	in terris xxxs.	iiijs.
Thomas Saunders	in terris xxxs.	iiijs.
Simon Saunders	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Henricus Saunders	in terris xxxs.	iiijs.
Georgius Wylde	in terris xxxs.	iiijs.
Simon Perkes	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Henricus Sherrif	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Lawe	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Bowkey	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Walterus Hill	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Lawe	in terris xxxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Nicholaus Davys, gen.	in bonis viij <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Georgius Hill	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa iiij*li*. xvijs.

Summa totalis Hundredi predicti clxxxviij*li*. xiiij*d*.

HUNDRED DE DODINGTREE.

BEAWDLEY.

Johannes Grove, gen.	in bonis vj <i>li</i> .	xs.
Johannes Mylward, gen.	in bonis vj <i>li</i> .	xs.
Thomas Boylson, gen.	in bonis vj <i>li</i> .	xs.
Johannes Bennet	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Mylton	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .

Ricardus Viccarys	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Viccarys	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Jacobus Dallie	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Barrett	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Edwardus Tumes	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Smyth Trowman	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Humfridus Brasior	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Johannes Cecyll	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Ricardus Hatton	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Elizabeth Birleton, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Lucas	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Johannes Soley	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Lowe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Johannes Draper	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
James Nashe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Tyler	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Franciscus Hill	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Simon Smythe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Georgius Agburrowe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Hugo Pardowe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Ricardus Browne	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Weater	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Ricardus Clare	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Heyward	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Johannes Wylkes	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Walterus Hill	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Hill	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Johannes Hales	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Bayllies	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Franciscus Hen	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Whytbee	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Thomas Smyth Sadler	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Willelmus Payne	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Humfridus Fowley	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Willelmus Baylson	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Hugo Burraston	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.
Edwardus Knype	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	vs.

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TEMBURY.

Thomas Philpotts	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Edwardus Holt	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Ashfeeld	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Jacobus Lawmb	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Tumes	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Isabella Lane	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Cougeley	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Kellamus Mapp	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Edmundus Hill	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Margeria Holland, vidua	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
— Tamerdyne	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Ricardus Ingram	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Franciscus Lane	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Holland	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Rogerus Angell	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Humfridus Walker	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Turner	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Ward	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Wyatt	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

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BOCLETON.

Willelmus Barnebie, arm.	in terris xij <i>li</i> .	xxxijs.
Henricus Delahay	in terris iij <i>li</i> .	viijs.
Jacobus Lyngen	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Rogerus Perry	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Smythe	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Hardweek, gen.	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Porter	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Anthonius Ambler	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Anna Cawarne, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Georgius Ffawkener	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Alicia Acton, vidua	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Hugo Chipp	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Adams	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Robertus Raynolde	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Rogerus Grubbe	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa v*li*. xijs. iiij*d*.

BERINGTON.

Johannes Grove, gen.	in terris <i>iijs.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Anthonius Hacklett	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Edwardus Perkes	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Elizabeth Weaver alias Morrys	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Johannes Gytowe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Ricardus Mapp	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Holte	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Rowbury	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Rowbury	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Britten	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *ls. iiij*d.**

SUTTON STURMY.

Johannes Hullyns	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Johannes Lane	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Rogerus Angell	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Izota Lane, vidua	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Humfridus Bickerton	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Thomas Lane	in bonis <i>v<i>li.</i></i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Rogerus Lane	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Franciscus Britton	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Izota Lane, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Ricardus Lane de Deykin's howse	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Posterne	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Georgius Lane	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Lane de Hadway	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Wynton	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Downes pro terris Steavens	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *iijs. xjs.*

ESTAM.

Ricardus Niccoletts, gen.	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Anthonius Nicholetts, gen.	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. viij<i>d.</i></i>

Johannes Downes	in bonis <i>vli.</i>	<i>viijs. iiijd.</i>
Alicia Hill, vidua	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Perkes	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Archard	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Thomas Wyllys	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Callowhill	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Humfridus Lane	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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STANFORD.

Arthurus Salwey, arm.	in terris <i>xxli.</i>	<i>liijs. iiijd.</i>
Thomas Castle	in bonis <i>vli.</i>	<i>viijs. iiijd.</i>
Thomas Burraston	in bonis <i>vli.</i>	<i>viijs. iiijd.</i>
Johannes Ffreeman	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Juditha Wylcox	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Gabriel Nutt	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Holder	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Leawes	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Ffidowe	in bonis <i>vli.</i>	<i>viijs. iiijd.</i>

Summa *vli. vjs. viijd.*

HANLEY WILLIAMS AND ORLETON.

Edwardus Newport, arm.	in terris <i>vli.</i>	<i>xiijs. iiijd.</i>
Georgius Soley	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiijd.</i>
Thomas Nott	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Leawes	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Willelmus Nott	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Perkins	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Humfridus Walker	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *xliijs.*

HANLEY CHILD.

Georgius Wynwood	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Robertus Jordeyne	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vjs. viijd.</i>
Nicholaus Ffreeman	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Perkes	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Barnes	in bonis <i>iiijli.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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CURE PARVA.

Walterus Lingam	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Bayllies	in terris xxxs.	iiij <i>s</i> .
Johannes Burwall	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Hyde	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Bayllies	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Philippus Whyte	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Willelmus Turbill	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Hugo Perry	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Ricardus Turbill	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa ij*li*. vjs. viij*d*.

CURE WYARDE.

Edwardus Pytts, arm.	in terris xx <i>li</i> .	liijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Franciscus Hodnett, gen.	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Fferington	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Sheffeeld	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Brock	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Johnson	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa iiij*li*. iijs. iiij*d*.

ABBOTSLEY.

Anna Leawes, vidua	in bonis vij <i>li</i> .	xjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Edwardus Pleavy	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Jacobus Hay	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Elizabetha Hay	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Martinus Hay	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Elizabeth Wood, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Warrould	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Robertus Ffidowe	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Thomas Ffoord	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Rogerus Brasier	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Sowthall	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Hay	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Rogerus Hay	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Willelmus Ffareley	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Matheus Ffareley	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Johannes Ffidowe de le		
Ffeild	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Thomas Glassard	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johanna Inett, vidua	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Willelmus Ffoord	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Ricardus Mason	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa v*li*. xviijs. iiij*d*.

SHELLESLEY BEAWCHAMPE.

Dorothea Howchins, vidua	in terris vj <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> . xvijs. ix <i>d</i> . ob.	
Johannes Clent	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Barker	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Wall	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Mylman	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ancelmus Nott	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Noxon	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Spillisbury	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Anna Myll, vidua	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Alicia Perry, vidua	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Henricus Porter	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Spillesbury	in bonis v <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .

Summa iij*li*. xiijs. ix*d*. ob.

RIDMARLEY OLIVER AND ADAMS.

Willelmus Walshe, arm.	in terris xx <i>li</i> .	liijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Russell, gen.	in terris v <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Wall	in terris v <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Bayllies, arm. pro		
Ffirmario de Thruxstons	in terris iij <i>li</i> .	viijs.
Johannes Hopkins	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Thomas Webbe	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Archard	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa v*li*. iijs.

ALTON ALIAS ALVINGTON.

Edwardus Brasior	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Nott	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Anna Brasior, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Taylor	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Bynt	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Georgius Sowthall	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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LINDON AND LINDON.

Maria Wall, vidua	in bonis <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Burraston de desland ¹	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i. xs.</i>	<i>vijs. v<i>d</i>.</i>
Ludowicus Dallie	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Hay	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Inett	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Franciscus Smeathes	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Ffidowe	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Spillesbury	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Palmer	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Hanley	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Atkys	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Maria Nott, vidua	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Nott de Worsley	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Symonds	in bonis <i>iijs.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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BAYTON.

Thomas Maysy, arm.	in terris <i>v<i>l</i>i. xiijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>	<i>xvijs. ix<i>d</i>. ob.</i>
Ricardus Hayles	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Busshopp	in bonis <i>v<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xs.</i>
Humfridus Brian	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Whooper	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Humfridus Mooseley	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johanna Comber, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Wattys	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Humfridus Gearsse	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *iiij*l*i. iijs. ix*d*. ob.*

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SHRAWLEY.

Petrus Cooke	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Cooke	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Cooke	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Bullock	in bonis iij <i>s</i> .	vs.
Thomas Aynsworth	in bonis iij <i>s</i> .	vs.
Jacobus Marten	in bonis iij <i>s</i> .	vs.
Walterus Hill	in bonis iij <i>s</i> .	vs.
Ricardus Wickin	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Walterus Seaverne alias Senkin	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Thomas Hampton, sen.	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Stone	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Thomas Hampton, jun.	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa iij*li*. iij*s*. viij*d*.

DODNAM.

Johannes ¹	in terris xxx <i>s</i> .	iiij <i>s</i> .
.	in terris xxx <i>s</i> .	iiij <i>s</i> .
.	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
.	iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

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ASTLEY.

.	in terris vj <i>li</i> .	xvjs.
. . . Wynford, gen.	in terris iiij <i>li</i> . xvs.	xijs. viij <i>d</i> .
. . . James, gen.	in terris v <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Anthonius Gyles	in terris iij <i>li</i> .	viijs.
Thomas Brooke	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Vyccarys	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Yarranton	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Anthonius Hanbury	in terris xxx <i>s</i> .	iiij <i>s</i> .
Walterus Portman	in terris xxv <i>s</i> .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Hill	in terris xxv <i>s</i> .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Robertus Hill	in terris xxv <i>s</i> .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Walterus Yarranton	in terris xxv <i>s</i> .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Robertus Chamberlayn	in terris xxx <i>s</i> .	iiij <i>s</i> .

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Anthonius Yarranton	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Edwardus Cowper	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Nott	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Margareta Rawlins, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Stone	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *vli. xs.*

MAMBLE.

Georgius Blount, arm.	in terris <i>xli.</i>	<i>xxvjs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Ricardus Busshopp	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Humfridus Bury	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Bury	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Johannes Bury	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Birde	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Humfridus Birde	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Monnox	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Smythe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Henricus Sheppard	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Georgius Nashe	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>

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RIBBESFORDE, SNEADE, MOORE, STILDON, HOLLIN,
AND CONISWEEKE.

Robertus Acton, arm.	in terris <i>vli.</i>	<i>xiijs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Thomas Hayes, gen.	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Thomas Acton, gen.	in bonis <i>vli.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d.</i></i>
Edwardus Sutton	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Thomas Browne	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Willelmus Burraston	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Henricus Newman	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>
Radulphus Hawll	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vs.</i>

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Johannes Parker	in bonis <i>vli.</i>	<i>xs.</i>
Thomas Malthill	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d.</i></i>
Humfridus Robins	in bonis <i>iiij<i>li.</i></i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d.</i></i>

Edwardus Monnox	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Henricus Pennell	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Walterus Bateman	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Summa <i>xls.</i>		

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Ricardus Walshe, arm.	in terris <i>xx<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>liijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Jefferys, arm.	in terris <i>x<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xxvjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Acton, gen.	in terris <i>viiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xxjs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Philippus Jones, gen.	in terris <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Walterus Rufford, gen.	in terris <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>xs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Macham, gen.	in terris <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Franciscus Rufford	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Carolus Rufford	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Kynnett	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Brotherton	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Perke	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Allinus Clief, clericus	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Bayllies	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Webbe	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Deykin	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Henricus Deykin	in bonis <i>vi<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Ingram	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Rogerus Acton, gen.	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Humfridus Hanley	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Anthonius Nott	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Margareta Pennell, vidua	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Ricardus Wynwood	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Carolus Bentley	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Georgius Busshopp	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Margareta Addams	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Turner	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Hanley	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Rogerus Leawes	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Henricus Jones	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

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MARTLEY.

Thomas Dowghtie, gen.	in terris <i>iijs.</i>	<i>xs. viijd.</i>
Johannes Horner	in terris <i>iijs.</i>	<i>xs. viijd.</i>
Walter Kinges	in terris <i>ijs.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Margareta Ingram	in terris <i>ijs.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Johanna Alderne, vidua	in terris <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs.</i>
Johannes Tovy	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Edwardus Howseman	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Edwardus Browning	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Daniel Hincksman	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Tillam	in terris <i>xls.</i>	<i>vs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Mylward	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>ijs.</i>
Willelmus Gateacre	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>ijs.</i>
Johannes Browning, jun.	in terris <i>xxxxs.</i>	<i>ijs.</i>
Edwardus Dowghtie	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Johannes Dowghtie	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Leawes	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Margeria Alderne, vidua	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Willelmus Allderne	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Lancellotus Monck	in terris <i>xxs.</i>	<i>ijs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Ricardus Harrys, gen.	in bonis <i>vi<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
Thomas Jones	in bonis <i>vi<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>viijs. iiij<i>d</i>.</i>
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hampton	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
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Thomas Hinck	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
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Thomas Hockam	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vjs. viij<i>d</i>.</i>
Christopherus Joyner	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Henricus Chappell	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>
Franciscus Jones	in bonis <i>iiij<i>l</i>i.</i>	<i>vs.</i>

Summa *x*l*i. js. iiij*d*.*

SHELLESLEY KINGES.

Johannes Myll	in bonis vij <i>li</i> .	xjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Goodyere	in bonis vij <i>li</i> .	xjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Edmundus Ffidowe	in bonis viij <i>li</i> .	xjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Myll	in bonis vi <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Jocosa Butler, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Alicia Cupper, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Nott	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Poolehowse	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .

Summa iiij*li*. xs.

ARELEY KINGES.

Johannes Puller	in bonis vi <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Gegg	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Robertus Yarranton	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Lucas	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Hugo Gegg	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Thomas Puller	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Higgleys	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Hill	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Robertus Salwey	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Hugo Myllward	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .

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LINDRIDGE CUM MEMBRIS.

Willelmus Child, arm.	in terris vi <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Walker	in terris iiij <i>li</i> .	viijs.
Dorothea Lowe, vidua	in terris iiij <i>li</i> .	viijs.
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Johannes Greene	in terris xxs.	ijs. viij <i>d</i> .
Willelmus Hill, gen.	in terris vi <i>li</i> .	xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Humfridus Angell	in terris xls.	vs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Walshe, gen.	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Ricardus Busshipp, gen.	in bonis vi <i>li</i> .	xs.
Willelmus Walker de le Wyld	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Rogerus Pennell	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Edwardus Raynolds	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .

Maria Taylor, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johanna Myll, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Mound	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Bury	in bonis vj <i>li</i> .	xs.
Thomas Mound	in bonis vj <i>li</i> .	xs.
Thomas Harrys	in bonis vi <i>li</i> .	viijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
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Jana Mound, vidua	in bonis iiij <i>li</i> .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
Johannes Penny	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Willelmus Bodneham	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Edwardus Cooke	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Comber	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Johannes Inett	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.
Rogerus Mound	in bonis iij <i>li</i> .	vs.

Summa ix*li*. ijs. viij*d*.

Summa totalis Hundredi predicti cxxiiij*li*. js. ix*d*.
xvj*d*. to muche.

Summa totalis ambarum hundredarum predictarum cccxj*li*. ijs. xd.
xxiiij*li*. vd.¹

¹ This amount is entered near the foot of the roll and appears to be in a different handwriting from the rest. There is no indication of its meaning. It will be no-

ticed that it is the amount by which the "total of the Hundred" given above exceeds £100, if the "16*d*. too much" is deducted from it.

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Edm. Pym

SIR EDWARD PYM, of Kyre, 1612.

Born 1541. Died 1618. Aged 77.

His Grandson, Edward, aged 6, 1612.

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THE KYRE PARK CHARTERS.

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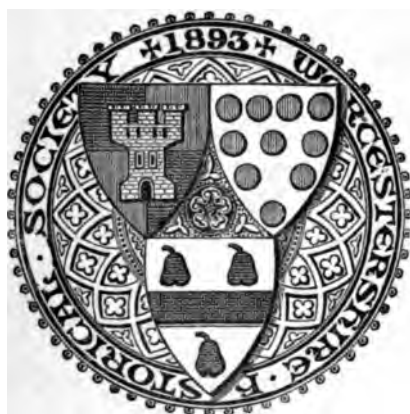
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INTRODUCTION.

THE Charters here printed have been kindly placed at the disposal of the Worcestershire Historical Society by Mrs. Baldwin-Childe, the present owner of the Kyre Estates, and relate to the parishes in which the estate is, or in which portions of it have been, situated. The Worcestershire parishes are Kyre Wyard, Stoke Bliss, Eastham, Hanley Child, Lindridge, Cotheridge, Wick, Hallow, Powick, and Tenbury; the Herefordshire parishes, which mostly closely border upon those in Worcestershire, are Bromyard, Thornbury, Edwin Ralph, Collington, Leominster, Leintwardine, Kinnersley, Wigmore, and Much Cowarne; and there are besides a few deeds relating to other parishes. Though these are not in Worcestershire, to leave them out would have marred in some measure the completeness of the work. As a rule nothing has been printed that dates from after the year 1700, but no hard and fast line has been drawn.

Kyre Wyard, of which parish the Manor House is now called Kyre Park, is situated in the north-west arm of Worcestershire, four miles from Tenbury and some six miles from Bromyard. Three manors bearing the name now spelled Kyre, formerly Cure, and at that time Cuer or Chure, are mentioned in Domesday, as follows :—

1. [The Bishop of Hereford] holds CUER. Bishop Walter held it. There are 2 hides that pay geld. In the demesne is 1 plough, and there are 3 bordars and 3 serfs. It was worth 12 shillings, now 10 shillings. Urse holds it of the Bishop, and two ploughs can be employed there ¹.

2. Osbern [fitz Richard] holds CHURE. King Edward held it. There are 3 hides that pay geld. In the demesne is one plough, and there are 5 villeins and 4 bordars with 8 ploughs. There are 3 serfs. It was worth 40s. T.R.E., and afterwards as now. There is a mill which renders 10 horse-loads of wheat ².

¹ *Victoria Hist. of Worc.*, I. 299.

² *Ibid.* 313.

3. The same Osbern holds CUER. His father held it. There is one hide that pays geld. In the demesne is 1 plough, and another could be employed. There are two bordars and one radman with one plough. It was worth 15 shillings, now 10 shillings. Herbert holds it of Osbern¹.

Of these three manors the first is now in Herefordshire, being part of the parish of Thornbury, and bears the name of Kyrebach². The second is now Kyre Wyard; and the third, now Little Kyre or Kettle's Kyre, forms part of the parish of Stoke Bliss, though it still retains a kind of independent existence as a township, having its own overseer and its own guardian of the poor. The name Cure is probably derived from the Welsh Cwr, a border, edge, limit, or corner³.

In what year one of the Mortimers, who had succeeded by descent to the wide domains of Osbern fitz Richard, granted the manor of Cure to a Wyard, to hold by half a knight's fee, is not known. At all events it was previous to or in the time of John Wyard, grandfather of the John Wyard who held the manor on those terms in 1346⁴. But though it is clear from the very early remains still existing that there must have been a stone-built house in the manor at that time on the site of the present one, and though in the earliest times Wyards appear as witnesses to charters styling themselves "de Cura," no one of the name paid subsidy there, either in 1280 or in 1347, and so it might be supposed that they did not make their home there. Indeed it was previous to 1211 that they had possessions in Cure, for there is an entry in the *Liber Rubens* of that year saying John Wyard held half a knight's fee in Cure and Stanford of the Honor of Richard's Castle. But where they came from is uncertain. In the Great Roll of the Exchequer of Normandy, of the year 1195, is an entry to the effect that the wife of Wiard and her sons were assessed at 26s. 8d. towards 4,000

¹ *Victoria Hist. of Worc.*, I. 313.

² In the *Worcestershire Inquisitions*, Worc. Hist. Soc. 1894, p. 53, note, Kyrebach is supposed to be an instance of the use of the Welsh word "bach," little, and to represent Little Kyre or Kyre Parva. This is not so. Little Kyre is some distance from Kyrebach, and "bach" here means a stream valley, quite descriptive of

the place. See the *Oxford Etymological Dict.* sub. "bach."

³ Duignan, *Worcestershire Place Names*, p. 98, where however the word Wyre is written for Wyard. Wyre is never used except through misunderstanding or ignorance, though it occurs in the account of the place given in Nash's *History of Worcestershire*.

⁴ Worc. Hist. Soc. *Subsidy Rolls*.

possessed of Martley and Kyre Wyard. Possibly she died issueless, and on this account the manor of Kyre reverted to its superior lords the Mortimers, for three years afterwards, in 1402, an inquisition held on the death of Roger Mortimer found that when he died he held the manor of Kyre. But the family of Wyard continued in another branch; Joan, daughter and heiress of Sir John Wyard of Alspath, or Meriden, Warwickshire, Lord Mayor of London in 1375, married John Walsh of Shelsley¹. A later notice is found in a manuscript account of Kyre Wyard at Kyre Park, which looks like the work of Habington, and is pretty certainly of a period contemporary with him; in it a deed of 8 Richard II. (1384) is mentioned as there existing, by which a John Wyard released to William Read and John Sturmy his rights to lands and tenements in the lordship of Rochford; which lands, says the writer, by a previous deed appeared to belong to the Wyards of Kyre Wyard. Neither of these deeds is now to be found.

In what relationship the Mortimers of Kyre stood to the parent family of Richard's Castle is uncertain. They were not the eldest branch; that in 1304 ended in two co-heiresses, of whom one married first Thomas de Bikenor, who died childless, and secondly Sir Richard Talbot; and the other married Geoffrey Cornwall, who thereby became possessed of a moiety of the manor of Burford. Thenceforth the Cornwalls styled themselves Barons of Burford, though by neither writ nor summons were they Parliamentary Barons. The overlordship of Kyre must be assumed to have been in them; and some light is thrown on this point by proceedings which were taken many years afterwards, in 1619². At the inquiry held after the death of Sir Edward Pytts, Sir Thomas Cornwall claimed that the manor of Kyre was held of the Barony of Burford by half a knight's fee, while Sir James Pytts alleged that it was held of the Crown by Grand Serjeanty. Apart from the merits of the case, here is a claim by the Cornwalls as representatives of the Richard's Castle line of the Mortimers that they represented the old overlords. Possibly Sir James Pytts knew that he did not represent them, though his family had become possessed of the manor with the full title of the representatives of the branch of the Mortimers from whom they had bought it. If the Barons of Burford repre-

¹ Nash, *Worcestershire*, II. 70.

² Nos. 139, 140.

1623¹, which was signed by his brother William Pytt of Brome in Hope Say in Salop, makes Edward Pytts the eldest son of William Pitt of the Perry in Stoke Bliss, by his wife Catherine Buston or Boughton, of Lindridge. The early Registers of the parish of Kyre Wyard are not extant, but the Register of Stoke Bliss, in which parish is situated "The Perry," where he lived, still existing as a farm house on the Kyre estate, records the burial of William Pitt, 25 January, 1571. William Pitt was old enough to quarrel with his neighbours in 1543², and in 1570 possessed property in the counties of Hereford, Worcester, and Radnor³: his wife was a widow in 1574⁴. According to the Visitation William Pitt was the son of John Pytt of Kyre Wyard, who possibly is mentioned in these deeds in 1534⁵, by a wife name unknown, and grandson of Robert Pytt⁶ by Joan, daughter and heir of Thomas de la Pole, by Margaret, daughter and heir of Thomas Hinckley, by Agnes Hide, her father Richard Hide's heiress. The arms allowed to William Pitts in the visitation displayed quarterings for these three families, Poole, Hinckley, and Hide⁷. The pedigree gives four other brothers of Edward Pytts besides William who signed it.

Edward Pytts, who may be considered the founder of his family, was born on St. Lawrence's day (10 August) in 1541. The pedigree gives to him no other wife than Elizabeth Wilford; but in a little square parchment covered book at Kyre Park, filled with memoranda made by successive heads of the family, there is this entry in his handwriting, "Mortua est dn'a nr'a Elizabeth 24 die Marcij mane inter horas 2 et 3: 1562." It is hard to think that this is anything but the mourning over the death of the wife of his youth by a young husband; but if so, no other trace of her is to be found. However this may be, he married in 1570 Elizabeth, daughter of Nicholas Wilford, and sister of Thomas

¹ Harl. MS. 1396, Fo. 260, printed in *Harl. Soc. Publications*, xxix. (1889), p. 402.

² No. 74.

³ No. 76.

⁴ No. 77.

⁵ No. 70.

⁶ Possibly mentioned in No. 366, in 1515.

⁷ These arms were: Quarterly, 1. Azure, three bars argent, in chief three estoiles or,

PYTTS; 2. Gules, a lion rampant argent within an orle of cinquefoiles or, POOLE; 3. Argent, on a chevron voided between three ravens as many cinquefoiles all sable, HINCKLEY; 4. Argent, on a chevron gules between three fleurs-de-lis sable as many crescents or, HYDE.

Wilford, citizen and merchant tailor of London¹. The marriage settlement is dated 31 July, 1570². There are later transactions with regard to settlements, one of them disclosing the fact that in 1578 three sons had been born to him, William, James and Edward, on whom in succession he entailed the Kyre estates³. In 1586 his daughter Joan had reached an age at which her marriage could be contemplated, and negotiations were begun for her union with John the son and heir of their neighbour of Netherwood, Thomas Baskerville⁴. Thomas Baskerville was clearly deeply in debt, and several transactions are mentioned in which this marriage was involved. But it never took place, and matters ended by Edward Pytts becoming the owner of most of Baskerville's property⁵. Edward Pytts' office was in Falcon Court in the parish of St. Dunstan's in Fleet Street⁶. He had been sworn Filacer⁷ of London, Middlesex, Huntingdonshire, and Kent, by Sir James Dyer, Chief Justice of the Common Bench, on Tuesday, 7 November, 1563⁸, and it was no doubt with the proceeds of this office that he made his purchases. Yet if that date is correct he was only 23 when the office was conferred upon him, and one cannot see where the influence necessary to obtain so lucrative a post for so young a man was situated. At all events he was a successful man, in spite of some little failings in his old age⁹. He was sworn Justice of the Peace for Worcestershire in Hilary Term, 1582; and on 23 July, 1603, on the occasion of the coronation of James I., two days before the ceremony, he was knighted in the palace of White Hall at Westminster¹⁰. He was High Sheriff of Worcestershire in 1612, and died in 1618, having made his will 28 December in the previous year¹¹. He was buried at Kyre, aged 77.

By his wife Elizabeth Wilford he had six children whose names are in the Visitation pedigree; the three sons previously mentioned, and three daughters,—Joan, married to Henry Dingley or Dineley of Charlton in Worcestershire¹²; Jane, married to James Bayley,

¹ An account of the Wilfords is in the *Genealogist*, IV. p. 1.

² No. 76.

³ No. 85.

⁴ Nos. 100 and 102.

⁵ No. 103.

⁶ No. 120.

⁷ A Filacer was an officer of the superior courts at Westminster, who filed original writs, etc., and issued processes thereon.

The office was abolished in 1837 by the Act 7 William IV. & 1 Victoria, c. 30.

⁸ Note in his own handwriting at Kyre.

⁹ Nos. 124 and 126.

¹⁰ Note by Sir Edward Pytts.

¹¹ No. 484.

¹² See note 8, p. xx. No. 120. A memorandum at Kyre in Sir Edward's writing

chancellor of the Diocese of Hereford; and Bridget, married to George Hopton of Hopton¹. His eldest son William, a student at the Inner Temple, had predeceased him, and was buried in the Temple Church, and he was succeeded at Kyre by his son James.

He was a methodical man, and made numerous notes, which are still extant, of his dealings with the property². He made the large pool, the Island Pool, on the north side of the park at Kyre in 1583, and built a barge to sail upon it. In 1588 he began to provide materials for repairing the "ruynes of Kyre Court," and in 1594 the building was so far advanced that he was living there. He tells us in his MS. account³ how he paid Father Garrett Holyman, a Dutchman, for carving two chimney-pieces "in my Hall at Kyre." This Hall, with its two hiding-places, its stairs, upper gallery, and bedrooms, is still in existence, but much of the Elizabethan work must have been taken down in the alterations carried out in the 18th century by his descendant Edmund Pytts. He continued building at intervals until his death in 1618, and then left £2,000 to his son with which to build a "house⁴," really the still existing and handsome barn. Many entries in his books relate to his dealings with John Chaunce, a master mason of Sheepley in the parish of Bromsgrove, and with John Bentley of Oxford, who "wrought the new additions to Bodley's library." The Elizabethan Book Room at Kyre Park, with its fine collection of early books, is chiefly due to his literary tastes; and besides a detailed journal of his building, he has left many manuscript notes. He had a taste for heraldry, and numerous good examples of his skill in depicting coats of arms in their proper colours, with appropriate mantlings, are extant at Kyre Park. There is there also a full-length picture on panel of him with his little grandson Edward standing by him, in which he is shewn grasping a key, which possibly as a symbol of office and power refers to the fact that when the picture was painted he was

is, "A note of my payment of £1,200 with my daughter Johan to Mr. Dingley and how;" but much of it cannot be made out. The money was paid at different times, first £100 to "my brother," Mr. Francis Dingley, at his house at Charlton in October, 1599; next £100 paid by "my cozen Burye of Newman" to Henry Dingley in November

of the same year; and so on till the whole payment was completed in Michaelmas Term in 1600.

¹ No. 128.

² Some of his papers were published in *The Antiquary* for 1890.

³ Printed in *The Antiquary* for 1890.

⁴ No. 484.

High Sheriff¹. That the portrait was taken at this period the inscription on the picture tells us, which is as follows, "Ætatis suæ 71 Februarii 10, 1612, ætatis suæ 6 Februarii 22, 1612," the latter part indicating the age of the little boy.

His son James was knighted before his father's death; he is referred to in his will² as "my sonne Sir James Pytts, Knight." He was the second of the three sons mentioned in the deed of 1578³, and was a student of the Inner Temple in 1596. He married Mary, daughter of Sir Arthur Heveningham of Ketteringham, Norfolk⁴, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, soon after the 22nd June, 1599, the date of the licence⁵. He, like his father, was Filacer for London, Middlesex, Huntingdonshire, and Kent, being sworn in to the office on 16 February, 1 James, a few days before his father received his knighthood. He was High Sheriff of Worcestershire in 1633, and died in 1640. The inventory of his goods at Kyre, taken 17 January, 1641, indicates a large establishment, and their total value is £975 13s. 4d. There is a portrait of him at Kyre taken in 1599, and miniatures in copper of himself and his wife of the date of the year of his death, 1640. Three children, Edward, Skydmore (rightly Scudamore), and Elizabeth born in 1602, were named in the Visitation Pedigree, but his daughter Mercy, who married Sir John Vere of Netherwood, is omitted. Elizabeth married Sir Thomas Stanley of Alderley.

He was succeeded at Kyre by his son Edward, born in 1606, and therefore 34 years old when he came into the property. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Samuel Sandys of Ombersley, born in 1602, and by her, who married after his death for a second husband, George Walsh of Abberley, he had two sons, James and Samuel, the latter a merchant at Hamburgh, who died without issue; and two daughters, Elizabeth, married to Henry Jefferies of Home Castle, dying without issue 26 August, 1688, aged 52; and Mercy, married first to Henry Bromley of Holt Castle, and secondly to George, brother of Joseph Walsh of Abberley, dying 26 August, 1699. There is a good miniature of Edward Pytts at Kyre Park, engraved on the back "Edwardus Pytts An. 1659. Etat. 53 heredibus masculis in perpetuum D.D.D. Eliza. Jeffreys."

¹ One does not like to see in it a punning reference to the name of his estate, pronounced as it is "Key-re."

² No. 484.

³ No. 85.

⁴ No. 464.

⁵ Col. Chester's *London Marriage Licenses*.

In 1633, the year in which his father was High Sheriff, Edward Pytts was appointed Justice of the Peace for Worcestershire; in 1654 he was Member of Parliament for the county; in 1658 and 1659 for Bewdley; and in 1660 for Leominster in Herefordshire.

It would appear that Mr. Pytts was a Royalist at heart, though circumstances seem to have forced him, as they did many others, to hold office under the Commonwealth. The House of Commons, 22 May, 1643, ordered his plate to be sold; yet in the same year he was a Sequestration Commissioner for Worcestershire, and in 1647 was appointed an Assistant Commissioner. In 1648 he was questioned by the Commissioners for Worcestershire, and four years afterwards by those for Herefordshire. He presented a petition for discharge, 22 July, 1652, on the occasion of the Act of Pardon; and the Committee were to certify whether his estates had been sequestered, 1 December, 1651, and if not, his petition was to be granted. One Miles Hill, who was examined at an Inquiry in 1654, deposed "that one Edward Pitt of Kyre, M.P., said publicly at Weobley that he would be hanged before he would be subject to any instrument in Parliament when the people had chosen him for their liberties; and he believed that Instrument (the Lord Protector) would come to nothing." In 1660 he was appointed a Commissioner for disbanding and paying off the forces of the kingdom, both by land and sea. Edward Pytts died 3 November, 1672, aged 66¹. His will is dated 1 November, 1672².

There is a torn paper without date at Kyre detailing in Edward Pytts' handwriting certain grievances he had against his mother. It mentions "free land being in Newnham and Coram worth £40 per annum [which] doth belonge to me, the which my mother hath no right unto, yet she enjoyeth it." She lived at the New House, and had while there 12 loads of wood every year. The dispute was afterwards referred to Mr. John Pateshall and Mr. John Whittington, clerk, and an agreement come to, which was drawn up in the form of a lease³, but "Not long after, my mother misliking the agreement, did engage herselfe that if I would release her of her former bargaine, and lett Berry become Tennant to her and account with her, I should be no looser by her, the which I did. And not long after my mother did sue and arrest Mr. Berry upon

¹ M. I. at Kyre Wyard.

² No. 491.

³ This is not among the deeds at Kyre.

an action of £500, and Mr. Berry being arrested one Mr. John Rocke was bale for him." But though the lady afterwards settled the matter with Mr. Berry, her son remained unsatisfied. "And si-thence," he says, "my mother hath let Newnham to one Freeman for five pounds lesse than she did to Berry, and doth allow him [all] Military Charges whatsoever." There is no echo of this little matter among the deeds at Kyre.

Edward Pytts was succeeded by his son James, born in 1632. He married for his first wife Lucy, daughter and co-heiress with her sister Anna, who died unmarried, of William Smallman of Kinnersley Castle¹, born in 1632, and by this marriage the Kinnersley estates passed to her husband. His second wife was Anne, daughter of Sir John Fettiplace, Bart., of Childrey, Oxfordshire. In 1660, before he succeeded his father, he was M.P. for Weobley from April to September, when he was unseated on petition; and, afterwards, from 1679 to 1681, he was M.P. for Leominster, and in 1685, for Worcestershire. He died without issue in 1685, his will being proved 16 February, 1686². He left his estates to his first cousin, once removed, Samuel Pytts, son of James Pytts, grandson of Scudamore Pytts the second son of Sir James Pytts, on his attaining the age of 18, until which time his wife was to enjoy them. He desired Samuel to marry Sophia Fettiplace, his wife's sister, and if the marriage took place, his widow was to leave the house she lived at, and take her jointure of £400 a year; but if it did not she might continue to live there for her life. Under these circumstances it is not remarkable that the young people did not make it up. Though Samuel was married three times, not one of his wives was the lady in question, while Anne Pytts survived her husband no less than 30 years, and died in 1715. During her long widowhood Anne Pytts founded the hospital of Kyre Wyard, providing a separate cottage for each of the parishes in which the estate was situated, 8 in number. There is a good picture of her at Kyre. James Pytts sold Kinnersley Castle about 1676³ to Sir Thomas Morgan, who had been created a Baronet in 1660-1⁴.

Samuel Pytts succeeded to Kyre on the death of Anne Pytts in 1715. He was the only son of James Pytts of Wick by Catherine, daughter of Henry Cliffe of Malvern, and grandson of

¹ No. 476.

² No. 495.

³ No. 494.

⁴ Robinson, *Mansions and Manors of Herefordshire*, p. 164.

Scudamore Pytts by his first wife Katherine, the daughter and heiress of Henry Best of Wick¹. He was married three times, first to Frances, daughter of Samuel Sandys of Ombersley; secondly to Catherine, daughter of Sir James Rushout of Northwick, Bart.; and thirdly he was the third husband of Catherine, daughter and heir of Bridges Nanfan of Birtsmorton, whom he married, she being 55 years of age, on the 24th November, 1720. She had begun her married life by wedding Richard Coote, Earl of Bello-mont, in 1676, when she was 11 years old; she finished it at the age of 72, dying in 1737 as the wife of a young man named William Bridgen, whom she had married but a few months previously, and who five and twenty years afterwards was Lord Mayor of London². The Countess's second husband was Rear-Admiral William Caldwell, who died aged 55 in 1718³, and was buried at Birtsmorton, where the Countess herself was afterwards buried, and where there is a marble monument to them both. Samuel Pytts was M.P. for Hereford from 1699 to 1700; High Sheriff of Worcestershire, 1705⁴; appointed Deputy-Lieutenant the same year by the Duke of Shrewsbury; and M.P. for Worcester from 1710 to 1715. In the years 1713 and 1714 he was a Lord Commissioner of Trade and Foreign Plantations. There is a picture of him at Kyre, and one by Vanderbank, at Kinlet. He died intestate 15 January, 1729⁵, leaving by his first wife, Frances Sandys, a surviving son Edmund, born in 1696, who succeeded him; and by his second wife, Catherine Rushout, a daughter Catherine born in 1702, and married in 1721 to William Lacon Childe of Kinlet, to whose issue the property of Kyre ultimately reverted; her mother Catherine died 18 December, 1702, aged 28, and there is a monument to her memory at Kyre Wyard. His only sister Mercy married Higgons James of Astley⁶, whose first wife had been Elizabeth, the only daughter of the Hon. Wallop Brabazon of Eaton in Herefordshire. Mr. James was the son of John James of Astley, by Jane, daughter and heiress of William Higgons of Tripelton; he died May 10, 1709, and there is a monument (to his memory) in Astley Church; after his death his widow married Bromwich Pope, of Wolstaston, Shropshire, and left an only daughter and heiress who succeeded to Wols-

¹ Nos. 320 and 323.

² G. E. C., *Complete Peerage*, I. 288.

³ His will is No. 502.

⁴ See No. 499.

⁵ No. 226.

⁶ See No. 496.

taston and Astley, and died unmarried. She was living at Wolsaston in 1755, and drove 6 black horses, which are even now remembered in the neighbourhood.

Edmund Pytts succeeded his father in 1729. He married for his first wife, 11 February, 1726, Susan, daughter and heir of Admiral Jonathan Collett, of Upton, Oxfordshire, who died in 1742, leaving his large fortune to his grandson, Jonathan Pytts; and secondly, 15 December, 1753, Anne, Countess of Coventry, daughter and heiress of Sir Streynsham Master, Knight, of Codnor Castle, Derbyshire, and widow of Gilbert, 4th Earl of Coventry. There are four pictures of him at Kyre and Kinlet. A family Bible at Kyre Park, bound in green morocco, of the date of 1683, contains notices of the births of his children by his first wife, who died in 1742, and to whom there is a monument in Barking Church, near London¹. He had by her four sons, Edmund and Jonathan, who were her two eldest children, and each in turn became the possessors of the Kyre estates; Samuel, born 26 October, 1737, and died without issue in 1785, of whom there is a good three-quarter length picture at Kyre, in the uniform of the Worcestershire Militia; and Thomas his youngest child, who died also without issue in September, 1776. His daughters, only one of whom married, and all of whom died without issue, were Elizabeth, Susannah, Catherine, and a second Susannah, the first of that name having died an infant. By his second wife, the Countess of Coventry, he had no children. The Earl of Coventry died 27 October, 1719, at Holt Castle, having had no children by her; and she lived a widow for 33 years before she married Edward Pytts in 1752. She possessed vitality as well as enterprise, for she outlived her second husband for no less than 35 years, dying 21 March, 1788, at the great age of 96. A miniature of Edmund Pytts at Kyre Park is engraved with an inscription giving the dates of his two marriages, and that of his own death, 24 November, 1753, aged 57. He had been M.P. for Worcestershire from 1741 till his death².

¹ Lysons, *Environs of London*, iv. 9.

² There are some deeds at Kyre, bearing date in 1750, when Edmund Pytts the younger was 21 years old, one of which is a sale from the father to the son of all his goods and stock of any kind whatsoever, for 10s., and divers other good causes and

valuable considerations, which goods should revert to the father if the son should die in his lifetime; another, a grant from Edmund the younger to Edmund the father of a rent-charge of £400 a year for life; and another of the same date as the last, being a mortgage for securing £3,000 to Edmund Pytts

Edmund Pytts the younger succeeded his father. He was born 23 February, 1729, and was therefore 24 years old when his father died. He was M.P. for Worcestershire from 1753 to 1761, and High Sheriff of the County in 1771. There are two indifferent pictures of him at Kyre, as well as one by Beech, with his brother Samuel, the house at Kyre appearing in the distance. He never married, and died 13 December, 1781. He was buried at Kyre Wyard, where there is a monument to his memory. There is a note at Kyre Park in the handwriting of his brother Jonathan detailing the alterations he made about the manor house in 1754 when he pulled down part of the house built in Elizabethan times; how he built the stables and enclosed the present kitchen garden, and did away with two courts on the south side of the house which were joined with steps and filled with "ewe" trees. The lower court was bounded by a fish-pond; in it was an island on which was a pigeon-house, and on either side of the pond the kitchen garden then extended. At the same time no doubt the present shrubbery was laid out, with its chain of ponds, and winding walks something like a mile long; though many of the trees included in the scheme are of a far greater age than the work itself. It is said that the work was designed by "Capability" Brown. He had just been designing Croome Park for the Earl of Coventry, and doubtless was introduced to Kyre by the dowager Countess.

And so we come to Jonathan Pytts, the brother of Edmund, and his successor. He was born 22 March, 1730. To him fell the task of completing the alterations at Kyre begun by his brother Edmund, who, from lack of money, had to give up the property to him. To Jonathan must be attributed the fine stucco work which adorns many of the rooms at Kyre, especially the dining-

the younger's brothers and sisters. There is another deed, dated 30 May, 1754, after the death of Edmund the father, between Jonathan Pytts of the City of London, second son of Edmund Pytts by Susanna his wife, both deceased of the first part; Edmund Pytts of Kyre Wyard was son and heir of the second part; Catherine, Samuel, Susanna, and Thomas, the four other younger children, all under 24, of the third part; and the Rt. Hon. Ann, Countess Dowager of Coventry, of Holt Castle, of the fourth

part; which recites the marriage settlement in 1726 between Edmund Pytts and Susanna, only child of Jonathan Collett, wherein £10,000 is charged on the estate for the younger children of the marriage, and recites also the will of Jonathan Collett, dated 13 February, 1745, devising all his property to Jonathan Pytts, his grandson, when he attains the age of 23, if he gives up his younger child's portion; and this by the deed he does, since he is "now invested with a large fortune."

family of the name, who had the alias of "Cowper," frequently appears among the deeds as leaseholders under the Kyre family.

Little Kyre was held in 1280 by Hugh de Blez¹, from which family Stoke Bliss, in which parish Little Kyre is situated, takes its second name. In 1293 Little Kyre was held by Robert Burnell from William de Sodington, but he rendered no service for it². In 1346 it was held by John de la Hyde for a quarter of a knight's fee, for which service Hugh de Bliss had formerly held it, and in 1427 it was still held by a John Hyde³. Several small manors besides those mentioned in Domesday appear to have existed in this locality. La Pirry was one, in 1418 held by Margery Paty of Bromyard, a widow⁴, as co-heir of Sir William Bishoperton, Knight, a member doubtless of a family represented by variously spelled surnames through the early charters⁵. La Pole appears to have possessed suits of Court and other attributes of a manor⁶; while the Hyde, the Hull or Hill, and Banwalls⁷, were at least villis if not manors, and gave their names to families. Margery Paty also held the manor of La Pole, and it passed with La Pyrry in 1427 from her to Simon Somnor, chaplain of Bromyard⁸, and from him in 1448 to William Downe of La Pole⁹. There is nothing to shew how these manors passed away from the Downes' family to that of Pytts. The latter family obtained Stoke Bliss, the Hyde, and La Pole with the heiresses of those properties; but it was not till 1579¹⁰ that the first sale of land between Downes and Pytts took place. Indeed it would seem that there was considerable rivalry between the two families¹¹. Yet when Edward Pytts bought Kyre in 1576, his mother was a widow, and was living at the Pirry, which she had leased to her son¹². How it passed from leasehold into freehold these deeds do not disclose. Perhaps the property came into the family through Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood; or possibly in 1579¹⁰, the site of St. Fletcher's chapel being on the Pirry.

The tithes of some part of Stoke Bliss, if not of all, had come

¹ No. 9. *Subsidy Roll*, Worc. Hist. Soc.

² *Inq. p. m.*, Worc. Hist. Soc., p. 44.

³ *Subsidy Rolls*, Worc. Hist. Soc.

⁴ No. 33.

⁵ Lebis, No. 10; Bissop, No. 12; Le Bisph, No. 15; Bischof, Nos. 22 and 23.

Possibly the names Visch, No. 24, and Fesch, No. 29, are variants of this.

⁶ No. 46. ⁷ No. 94. ⁸ No. 35.

⁹ No. 46. ¹⁰ No. 87. ¹¹ No. 74.

¹² No. 77.

to Baskerville before 1586¹. Anciently belonging to the Prioress and Convent of Lymbrook, they had been leased by that body in 1538 to William Pitt for 41 years at a rent of 30s. a year, payable on St. Peter's day². Baskerville intended them to form part of the settlement upon the marriage of his son John with Joan Pytts, a marriage which never took place. The "Rectory" of Stoke Bliss came to Edward Pytts with his manors³. Some of his property in the Pirry and Little Kyre came to Pytts on account of the forfeit Baskerville made in 1586, and this might have included manorial rights; and Banwalls and other land of his in Stoke Bliss in 1596⁴. Much of what remained of Baskerville's land in Stoke Bliss appears to have been sold to Edward Reed of Gubberhill with Thornbury in 1620, and Reed sold it in 1640 to Richard Roche, citizen and merchant tailor of London⁵; and in 1652 Edward Roche sold it to Edward Pytts⁶. Still Baskerville had land in Little Kyre and Stoke Bliss in 1651⁷.

The Charters relating to Newnham in the parish of Knighton on Teme begin at a somewhat late period; Knighton, with Newnham, and several other places, formerly formed part of the great manor of Lindridge, of which the Church of Worcester was lord; while Hanley Child and some other places in early days were included in the parish of Eastham. The Newnham documents are interesting as showing the rise of the family of Bury, how they added field to field, and holding to holding, until they could maintain their position no longer, and parted with their property. The first document relating to them is a court roll dated 1478⁸, and from that time till 1610 a pedigree of six generations of Burys is disclosed by the deeds. In the last-mentioned year the Burys sold the property they had been so assiduously collecting to Sir George Blount, Knight, of Sodington⁹, and nine years later it was sold by Walter Blount, his eldest son, to Sir James Pytts for £3,000¹⁰, and the house then became the jointure house of his widow Mary, born Heveningham. Not a little curious is the disclosure in the Court Roll of 1583¹¹, that the lords of the manor, the Dean and Chapter in succession to the Church of Worcester,

¹ Nos. 99, 101.

² Duncumbe, *Herefordshire*, 163.

³ No. 103. ⁴ Nos. 112, 113.

⁵ No. 151.

⁶ No. 164. ⁷ No. 158.

⁸ No. 227. ⁹ No. 279.

¹⁰ No. 282, 286. ¹¹ No. 263.

claimed the soil on which the Church of Knighton was built, and through their court to grant permission to erect pews, according to the custom of the manor, to be held of them by a yearly rent¹.

Edward Pytts first became connected with Eastham by the purchase in 1578² of the property of the Hackluyts, which comprised the manor of Hanley Child, as well as lands in the parish of Eastham. An exemplification of a fine of 1564, procured by Sir Edward Pytts in 1596, shows an extended entail of Hackluyt property, including this manor³. A copy of court roll of 1673⁴ is interesting as shewing the freeholders of the manor at that date.

The Cotheridge property came to the Pytts family by the marriage of Scudamore Pytts with the daughter and heiress of Henry Best, though in the Visitation of 1623, Richard Pytts, the second son of John Pytts of Kyre Wyard, is styled of Cotheridge⁵, and is mentioned in these deeds in 1577⁶. The first mention of Best in connection with Cotheridge property is in 1532⁷, and afterwards the family appears to have become possessed of the adjoining Hallow property from the Tracys of Stanway in Gloucestershire⁸. James Pytts, son of Scudamore, obtained other Cotheridge lands from the Berkeleys⁹.

Much Cowarne was held at the time of Domesday by Agnes, wife of Turstin de Wigmore, from whom descended the Lingen of Lingen in Herefordshire; and about 1250 Constance Lingen married Grimbald Pauncefote, who obtained a charter for a market and fair in Cowarne in 1281¹⁰. About her hangs a pretty romance to the effect that her husband, being taken prisoner in the expedition to Tunis, was ransomed by his wife, who cut off her hand and sent it to her husband's captor, who had fixed that penalty for his redemption. This important family is hardly noticed in Nash's History of Worcestershire, though their connection with the county would have warranted better treatment. "Lench and

¹ Seats in a gallery in the Church of Clent, Worcestershire, were conveyed by mortgage and copy of court roll in 1722. *Short History of Clent*, p. 158.

² No. 255.

³ No. 243.

⁴ No. 298.

⁵ Harl. Soc., *Visitation at Salep*, 1623, xxix (1889), p. 402.

⁶ No. 84.

⁷ No. 314.

⁸ No. 316.

⁹ No. 321.

¹⁰ Robinson, *Mansions and Manors of Heref.*, p. 75.

mystery about this Goodwyn. In 1672, some fifteen years after his death, proceedings in the Exchequer were commenced¹, in which it was alleged that he was illegitimate, and having made neither grant of the manor during his life, nor devise of it by will, it had therefore escheated to the Crown. Nevertheless, a copy of what purports to be his will is among the deeds at Kyre Park². Ralph Goodwin's second wife, Elizabeth Brabazon, of the same surname as his first wife Dorothy, married as a second husband Higgons James, whose second wife was Mercy, sister of Samuel Pytts. Leighton Court in Much Cowarne belonged at this period to the family of Fox³.

Thornbury before the beginning of the fourteenth century was one of the possessions of the family of Mortimer, and as such came to the Crown on the accession of Edward IV. Its custody was granted to William Baskerville by Henry VII. in reward for his valiant services on Bosworth field. Afterwards it came into the possession of the Earls of Essex, who are said to have lived at the old house at Netherwood⁴, where is still shewn the room in which Robert Devereux, the second Earl of Essex, was supposed to have been born. Thomas Baskerville, according to the pedigree given in Robinson's *Mansions and Manors of Herefordshire*, was a son of Philip Baskerville of Sherborne, Dorsetshire, and grandson of Sir Walter Baskerville of Eardisley in Herefordshire, appears at Netherwood in 1567⁵. The name, however, is found in the Registers of Thornbury as early as 8 November, 1539, when William Baskerville, Esquire, was buried. He had only illegitimate children⁶; his will was proved 22 January, 1576-7, and his base son Thomas succeeded him. This Thomas Baskerville came to be in need of money, and his neighbour, Edward Pytts, took over a mortgage on some of his property in 1585⁷. In 1586 a scheme appears to have been proposed that his son and heir, John Baskerville, should marry Edward Pytts' daughter Joan, who should bring with her as her portion cash with which to pay his debts, while he on his part would settle certain of his property upon the young people⁸. It was agreed also that in case of the

¹ No. 492. ² No. 489. ³ No. 369.

⁴ This place, now called Netherwood, in the earlier deeds is usually termed Netherwood, that is, "Beneath the wood." It is

never called Northwood, as in Robinson's *Mansions and Manors of Herf.*, p. 267.

⁵ No. 369. ⁶ No. 371. ⁷ No. 94.

⁸ Nos. 100, 102, 103.

is one containing many entries of money transactions between Sir James Pytts and his son-in-law, mostly on the one side payments for cloth and materials for the soldiers, and on the other among the receipts are several half-yearly payments from James Watkins for the rent of Netherwood, which was let for £150 a year¹. An Alice Watkins, widow, was buried at Thornbury in 1660.

A suit was taken out in the Court of Wards in 1637² for an account between the family at Kyre and the late Sir John Vere, whose administratrix was Beatrix, then the widow of Robert, Earl of Oxford, who was killed before Maestricht in 1632, two years after the death of his kinsman. When he died he left an only son, Awbrey, a boy of six, who became the twentieth and last Earl of Oxford, and who sold Netherwood to Edward Pytts, son of Sir James and brother of Mercy Vere. So it became joined to the neighbouring estate of Kyre, with which it has remained ever since³.

Edwyn Ralph and Collington have much the same history as Thornbury. In 1562 Sir James Croft, of Croft Castle, was granting leases in Edwin Ralph, and was apparently lord of the manor⁴, he being the great grandson of Eleanor Cornwall, the widow of Hugh Mortimer of Kyre, and great nephew of John Croft, who bought Kyre Wyard in 1520, and sold it almost the next day⁵. The manor followed the fortunes of Thornbury, and was forfeited by Baskerville to Edward Pytts under the same circumstances as that was⁶. Collington also was in the possession of the Crofts during the early years of Elizabeth's reign, and probably passed from them to Baskerville in the same way that Thornbury did, finally coming with that manor into the possession of Edward Pytts. There is a list in contemporary handwriting at Kyre Park of the lands of Collington, late in the tenure of Thomas Barrett⁷, "beeinge one nooke," giving the names and descriptions of a number of little pieces of land amounting in the whole to 16

¹ There is a full account of Sir John Vere in the *Tenbury Wells Advertiser*, 11 February, 1902.

² No. 147.

³ Nos. 424, 425.

⁴ No. 367, 368.

⁵ In the Croft pedigree in Robinson's *Mansions and Manors of Herefordshire*, p. 80, Robert Croft his brother is styled of Kyre.

⁶ Nos. 103, 104.

⁷ No. 379.

acres. A piece of Collington history of much later date gives the title of Edmund Pytts to the advowson, in a dispute which arose relating to it when he presented the Rev. William Hudson to the Rectory in 1758¹.

Several other estates passed through the family of Pytts, remaining with them a longer or shorter time. Ivington, in the parish of Leominster, was purchased in 1590 by Edward Pytts from Sir Henry Jerningham of Costessey Park in Norfolk², and formed part of the settlement on the marriage of his son James with Maria Heveningham³ in 1599. Lands in Ivington were included in the Hackluyt entail of 1564⁴. Ivington was sold in 1802 by Jonathan Pytts to Charles Johnstone of Ludlow. Kinnersley came to James Pytts in right of his wife Lucy Smallman, and after remaining in his possession some five and twenty years was sold by him to Sir Thomas Morgan⁵.

Besides the history of the family of Pytts and the property they owned, these charters disclose incidents in the lives of many humbler residents in the locality, and facts relating to the lands they rented. They include short abstracts of a number of leases, a class of documents, if preserved at all, often found among muniments tied up in bundles docketed "expired leases," and considered of little importance. Really they are nearly as important for the history of a locality and its people as the parish register, to which they form a valuable adjunct. They should not be put on one side; indeed no scrap of written history relating to past years ought to be neglected.

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October, 1905.

¹ No. 504.

² No. 463.

³ No. 465.

⁴ No. 243.

⁵ No. 320.

NOTES ON THE PORTRAITS OF SUCCESSIVE OWNERS OF KYRE.

THESE illustrations have been kindly obtained by Mrs. Baldwyn-Childe for insertion in this book, and are reproduced from photographs specially taken for this purpose. The autographs are facsimiles of signatures in old books and deeds.

The importance of cataloguing and, if possible, of reproducing family portraits cannot be too strongly advocated—for in a single generation their identity is often forgotten.

A notable instance of this is shewn by the following sentence, written in 1851 by a niece of the last "Madam Pytts," who had lived at Kyre from her youth until the death of her aunt in 1832.

Asked for a list of the Kyre pictures which were scattered all over the house, in the servants' apartments, in the bedrooms, in the housekeeper's room, and in an attic passage where they hung falling from loose nails and perilously near the housemaid's broom, she writes: "We never knew who the very *curiously* dressed gentleman and lady on wood were: there was a room full of such upstairs at Stanford (*Stanford Court, Worcestershire*) in former times." The unknown persons referred to are the most interesting pictures in the house—the two first portrayed in this book—the portraits of the Elizabethan Sir Edward and Lady Pytts, the date 1612, with their ages, being painted on the panels.

*Owners of
Kyre from*

1. Sir Edward Pytts, Kt., date 1612, aged 71, full length on panel, size 6 ft. 6 in. × 4 ft. including frame, with his grandson Edward, aged 6. He repaired the ruins of "Kyer Court," and built the present Hall, of which a detailed account, written by him, appeared in the <i>Antiquary</i> of 1890.	1577 to 1618.
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Frontispiece.

2. Lady Pytts, date 1612, aged 32, on panel, size 4 ft. 1½ in. × 3 ft. 3 in. Black dress, lace under sleeves, pearl ropes, fan, jewelled head-dress.	<i>To face p. 8.</i>
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Kyre from</i> |
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| 3. Sir James Pytts, Miniature on copper, actual size. Signed C. G. 1640. | 1618 to
1640. |
| <i>To face p. 10.</i> | |
| 4. Mary Lady Pytts, d. of Sir Arthur Heveningham, survived her husband. Miniature on copper, actual size. Signed C. G. 1640. | 1618 to
1640. |
| <i>To face p. 10.</i> | |
| 5. Edward Pytts, M.P. Miniature, actual size. Monument in Kyre Church. Married Elizabeth, d. of Sir Samuel Sandys, of Ombersley, who survived him. B. 1606. D. 1672. He was succeeded by his son James, of whom there is no picture, and who, when he died in 1685, bequeathed Kyre to his widow. | 1640 to
1672. |
| <i>To face p. 12.</i> | |
| 6. Anne Fettiplace, a beautiful betrothal picture, size 4 ft. 10 in. x 4 ft.; 2nd wife, and widow of James Pytts of Kyre, who died 1685. She was the dau. of Sir John Fettiplace of Childrey, Bt. Her 4 brothers succeeded to the Baronetcy and Estates. She founded the Hospital at Kyre, and survived her husband 30 years. Blue dress, light hair. (See Burke's Extinct Baronetage.) | 1685 to
1715. |
| <i>To face p. 12.</i> | |
| 7. Samuel Pytts, M.P., oval picture, size 3 ft. 1½ in. x 2 ft. 10½ in. Blue gown lined white, brown wig. M. 1st. Frances, d. of Samuel Sandys of Ombersley. 2nd. Catherine, d. of Sir James Rushout, d. 1702. 3rd. Catherine, Countess of Bellamont, who survived him. He had 2 children, whose portraits are of the same date and size. A picture of him is at Kinlet, by Vanderbank. Died 1729. | 1715 to
1729. |
| <i>To face p. 14.</i> | |
| 8. Catherine, 3rd wife of Samuel Pytts, d. and h. of Bridges Nanfan, Esq., Countess of Bellamont, d. 1737, aged 72. A pair to No. 7; blue dress, white sleeves, brown hair. | 1715 to
1729. |
| <i>To face p. 14.</i> | |
| 9. Edmund Pytts, M.P., size 4 ft. 9 in x 4 ft. Brown coat, white waistcoat, powder. B. 1696. D. 1753. M. 1st. Susanna, d. and h. of Admiral Collett. 2nd. Anne, d. of Sir Streynsham Master, Countess of Coventry, who survived Mr. Pytts 35 years, and died at Holt Castle, 1788, aged 96. | 1729 to
1753. |
| <i>To face p. 16.</i> | |

SUCCESSIVE OWNERS OF KYRE.

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*Owners of
Kyre from*

10. Susanna, d. and h. of Admiral Collett, of Upton, Essex,
1st wife of Edmund Pytts, M.P. M. 1726, died 1742. Blue dress,
very light hair, size 4 ft. 9 in. x 4 ft. *To face p. 16.*

11. Catherine Pytts, only d. of Samuel Pytts, by his 2nd wife,
Catherine Rushout, who died at her birth in 1702. M. 1720,
William Lacon Childe, of Kinlet, M.P., died 1763. On the
death of all the children of her brothers, s.p., the Kyre Estate
reverted to her descendants, the Childes of Kinlet. The picture
is at Kinlet, by Vanderbank, dated 1728. Blue dress, brown hair.
To face p. 16.

12. Edmund Pytts, M.P. (with his younger brother Samuel), 1753 to
b. 1729, d. unmarried 1781. Kyre house in the distance. By 1781.
T. Beach, 1779, size 4 ft. 9 in. x 4 ft. *To face p. 20.*

13. Jonathan Pytts, b. 1730, d. s.p. 1807, aged 76. Fine 1781 to
picture, size 4 ft. 9 in. x 4 ft. *To face p. 22.* 1807.

14. Anna Bella Chamberlayne, widow of Jonathan Pytts, 1807 to
whom she survived 25 years, and d. 1832. D. of Edmund Cham- 1832.
berlayne of Maugersbury, co. Gloucester. Picture by T. Beach,
1777, size 3 ft. x 2 ft. 9 in. *To face p. 22.*

15. William Lacon Childe, M.P., of Kinlet and Kyre, b. Jan. 1832 to
3rd, 1784, d. 1880 (Dec. 14th). Picture by Reginald Cholmon- 1880.
deley of Condovery. *To face p. 22.*

16. Edward George Baldwyn Childe, son of the above, Pre- 1880 to
bendary of Hereford, b. 1818, d. 22 February, 1898. Picture by 1898.
A. Chambers, 1897. *To face p. 22.*

THE KYRE PARK CHARTERS.

CHARTERS RELATING TO KYRE WYARD, LITTLE KYRE, STOKE BLISS, AND SUTTON STURMY.

1. No date. Grant from Henry Ketel to Peter de Dunnesdene of a certain "haicium" between their lands with 4 feet of land outside the said hedge extending from the gate (*hesa*) of Culureweie to the path leading from the said Henry's house to the vill of Hanley. Witnessed by Robert Wyard, Robert de Hull, Alred the Long, Nicholas de Hanlie, Philip de Hanlie, Philip the son of Thomas de Hanlie.

Seal undecipherable.

2. No date. Grant in fee from Henry de Cure to Hugh de Duddelee of all that meadow which was of Richard de Wluele (Wolverlow) and which is called Peddenhale, in exchange for Hugh's meadow at the head of Chaveruge, between the aforesaid meadow and the meadow of the said Henry. Witnessed by Robert Wiard, Robert de la Hull, Alured de Cure, Nicholas de Hanlee, Ralph, parson of Cure, Ralph de Cure son of Hugh.

Seal of white wax ; oval, with legend, HUGONIS DE DUDELI.

3. No date. Grant from Roger son of Samson de Estham to Henry Ketel of a meadow in Cure between the meadow of John Esturmi and the meadow of Elured le Long for a rent of 1*d.* yearly and a payment of 5 marks of silver. Witnessed by William de Wasseburne, Robert Wiard, Robert de la Hull, John de Sutton, Richard de Bocklington, Elured le Long, Nicholas le Black, Geoffrey Cnotte, Nicholas Cnotte, Richard le Hore, Richard de Longley, Robert de Dilwe, Richard his son, and others.

Seal, a Fleur de Lys surrounded by a legend in an oval ; legend illegible.

4. No date. Grant in fee from Henry Ketel of Cura to Martin son of Thomas the Chaplain of Wlfreslawe of one acre of land which he bought of William Rodland of Sutton, lying in Bradleye, between the lands of John Esturmi, lord of Sutton, and of Sir Richard le Hore, Chaplain, and extending on one side from the path leading to the Church of Cure and on the other side stretching to the thorn called Authornd, for the term of his life, at a yearly rent of 6*d.*, payable at the feasts of St. Mary and St. Michael. Witnessed by Robert de Dilue, William le Hore, Henry le Hore, William Rodland.

Seal without device.

5. No date. Grant in fee from Robert de Dilwe to Henry Ketel of Cure of his meadow in Bradebrugge between the meadow of Osbert Rolant and [that of] Robert of the Churchyard of Little Sutton, with the pond in which the mill of the said Henry is placed, and with all the bank appertaining to the said meadow; and all his meadow lying between the meadow of the lord of Estham and the meadow which was of Edith Wallen's; and all the watercourse called Cura through all his lands in the vill of Sutton. Witnessed by Robert Wyhard of Cura, Robert de la Hull, Elured de Cura, William le Hore, John de Sutton, Brun Roland, William his son.

Good *seal* of green wax; a bird, and legend, S. ROBERTI DE DILUE.

6. No date. Grant in fee from Richard son of Richard de Hurdesley to Reginald the smith of Parva Cura, for his homage and service, and for one ox of the price of ten shillings, of a messuage, buildings and two acres of land which Eynulf, father of the said Reginald, formerly held in Parva Cura of the donor's father, by the yearly rent of a pepper corn at Christmas. Witnessed by William son of Osbert of Parva Cura, Richard Karcy¹ of the same vill, Thomas de Haya, Richard de Haya, Philip the smith of Parva Cura².

Seal, device, with legend, S RICARDI DE HURDESLEI.

¹ A Walter de Karcy of Kyre Parva was in trouble in 1292. See *Inq. post Mort.*, Worc. Hist. Soc., No. XXXVIII.

² Four of the persons mentioned in this charter appear as inhabitants of Little Kyre in the *Subsidy Roll of 1280*, Worc. Hist. Soc.

7. No date. Release by Giliana (Juliana in endorsement), daughter of Henry Ketel, to Sir William de Mortimer, Rector of the church of Estham, of all her right in the tenement which her father held in Cure. Witnessed by John Esturmi, Ralph de Romein, Richard de Sutton, Geoffrey le Mareschal de Hulle, Richard le Hore of Sutton.

Seal, Lamb and Cross; legend illegible.

8. No date. Release by William de Mortimer, Rector of the Church of Estham, to the Lord Robert Burnell, Bishop of Bath and Wells, of his right in a tenement which Mortimer had of the gift of Adam son of Hugh de la Hulle, and which Henry Ketel formerly held, in Cure. Witnessed by Sir William de Hamelton, Sir Malculm de Harleye, Sir John de Bruges, Canons of Wells; Sir Ralph Springehose, Knight; Sir John de Langeton, Sir Walter de Hamundesham, John de la Tyle, clerks.

Seal of arms, Ermine, a fesse charged with three

9. No date. Grant in fee by William son of Adam de Hyda to Hugh de Thornbury, chaplain, of three sellions of his land in the west field of Pyrie between the lands of Henry de Pyrie and the land which was formerly of Hugh of the Churchyard, extending westward along the land of the said Henry de Pyrie and to the east to the croft formerly of Adam de Pyrie. Yearly rent, one halfpenny at Michaelmas. Witnessed by Hugh Deblez¹, Lord of Parva Cura, Ralph de la Hull, Hugh de Hyda, William son of Osbert de Parva Cura, John de Pola.

Seal gone.

10. No date. Grant from Hugh son of Henry de Lebsp of Wlveley to William son of Simon de Puddlestone and Christiana his wife, for 2½ marks, of one messuage at Wlveleya and six acres of his land, whereof 13 sellions lie between his land on either side and extend to his Grove and 12 sellions lie between his land on either side; and all the land between the said messuage, and land of the said Henry, and land of John de Pole, and the King's highway leading to Bocklynton; with appurtenances; rendering

¹ Hugh de Blez was the highest taxed person in Little Kyre in 1280. Worc. Hist. Soc., *Subsidy Roll*.

yearly to the nuns at Acornbury rent at Michaelmas for all service, rent of court, &c., for royal service. Witnessed by Hugh de Hyde, John de la Pole, Adam de Wolverley, Henry de Lebis, William de Ashe, Richard the Smyth, Henry de Brokmonton.

11. No date. Grant in fee by Agnes sister of Hugh de Curebache, chaplain, to John son of John de la Pole, of all the land which she had in the manor of Thornbury at Curebache, and in the fields of "Pyre." Witnessed by Hugh de Bles of Parva Cura, William de la Hull, John de Bles, William de Hyda, William de Piro.

Seal.

12. No date. Grant from Nicholas de la Hulle to John son of John de la Pole and Joan his wife, of 12 sellions of land . . . with "forards" at the heads (*cum forards ad capita*) lying next the house of the said John at La Pole, between the said John's land on either side. Witnessed by William de la Pirie, William de la Hyde, William son of Henry, Hugh Bissop, William de Mochwoln, chaplain.

Seal gone.

13. 1312. Grant in fee by Geoffrey Coppe of Stoke Bles to Robert Benet of Cure Wyard and Matilda his wife and Nicholas "my" (elsewhere "his") son, for a certain sum of money, three sellions of land in le Heyfeld, between the lands of Richard le Bles and Adam le Gylur as far as Mapulzorne stile. Witnessed by John de Banwalle, Richard Janies, William Borewar', Richard de la Hey, Richard Pannyng. Dated at Stokebles, Sunday, Feast of St. Luke (18 October), 6 Edward II.

Seal gone.

14. 1322. Grant in fee from Nicholas de Hull of Cur to William le Scodiar' of Bromiard and Agnes his wife of one messuage which lies in the vill of la Pyrie between the lands of the church of Stoke and John son of William Hauriis, and an acre of land between the lands of Miles de la Pyrie and William Hauries. Witnessed by William de la Heyde, John de Banwalle, Gebon Frouncel, William Hauriis, John de la Pole. Dated at la Pyrie, Tuesday after Easter (?), 15 Edward II.

Seal gone.

15. 1323. Grant in fee from John, son of Nicholas de la Hulle of Curwiard to Nicholas his father, of six sellions of land lying in the field of la Pirie between the lands of . . . de la Pole and Hugh le Bisp in exchange for seven sellions lying . . . in the field of la Pirie, and for two sellions at la Rouwesiche between the lands of John de la Pole and Wi(lIAM de la) Pirie, and extending from the Portweie to Hidamheld. Witnessed by William de la Hyde, William de la Pirie, William Henries, William Borewore, Richard Janies, John de la Pole, John in the Heie. Dated at la Pirie, Tuesday after the Feast of St. John ante Portam Latinam (6 May), 16 Edward II.

Seal, a bird surrounded by a legend ; tied with grass.

16. 1323. Grant in fee from Nicholas de la Hulle of Curwiard to John de la Pole of six sellions of land in the field of la Pirie between the lands of Hugh le Bissop and John de la Pole, with the quickset (*vivo*) hedge. Witnessed by William de la Hyde, William de la Pyrie, William Henries, John in the Heie, Richard Janies. Dated at Stok Blez, Saturday, Feast of St. Barnabas (11 June), 16 Edward II.

Good *seal* with legend.

17. 1329. Grant in fee from William Fitz Anable to Bugo de la Hyde of all that curtilage at la Hyde which the donor had of the gift of William de la Hyde, father of Bugo. Witnessed by John de Banwalle, John de la Hey, William de la Pyrie, William Haur-[iis?], William Cruyk. Dated at la Hyde, Wednesday after SS. Philip and James (1 May), 3 Edward III.

Good *seal*, three birds surrounded by legend.

18. 1329. Edwardus Dei gratia Rex Anglie, Dominus Hibernie et Dux Aquitanie omnibus ad quos presentes litere pervenerunt salutem. Sciatis quod de gratiâ nostrâ speciali concessimus et licentiam dedimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris quantum in nobis est dilecto valleto nostro Johanni Wyard quod ipse boscos suos de Staunton Harcourt in comitatu Oxoniæ et de Cure Wyard in comitatu Wigornie includere et parcos inde facere et eos inclusos et parcos inde factos tenere possit sibi et heredibus suis in perpetuum sine occasione vel impedimento nostri vel heredum nostrorum justiciorum vicecomitum aut aliorum ballivorum sive minis-

teriorum nostrorum dum tamen bosci illi non sunt infra metas foreste nostre. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras facere fecimus patentes. Teste me ipso apud Gloucestriam 16 die Augusti anno regni nostri tertio ¹.

19. 1347. Grant in fee from Bugo de la Hyde to William de Schobbedone and Lucy his wife of that acre of land which he had of the ffeoffment of Cristina, daughter of Adam le Gylour, lying in the small field next to the land of John Pannyng. Witnessed by Richard de Hurdesley, Richard de la Hey, William Wylkynes, John Giglemynes, Adam de Hurdesley. Dated at Parva Cur', Sunday before Purification (2 February), 21 Edward III.

Seal, interlaced squares with devices in them.

20. 1348. Grant by Sibilla widow of Simon Pyre of Asshstormy to Mathew her son of one acre of land of four sellions in the field of Asshstormy which is called Smethedene, next le Old Hul between her land and the land of Richard de Clifford. Witnessed by William de la Hull, William Baret, Richard Colerel, Richard de Schobbodon, William de la Ferne. Dated at Asshstormy, Tuesday before the Feast of St. Andrew, 22 Edward III.

Seal, interlaced triangles.

21. 1350. Grant in fee by Walter de la Crose of Parva Cur' to Richard Pyn of a messuage in Parva Cur' and lands in the field called Galnhulle. Witnessed by John de la Hey, William Borewor', Richard Smith. Dated Sunday before All Saints (1 November), 24 Edward III.

Seal gone.

22. 1354. Grant from Miles Bischop to Stephen Dobyn and Agnes his wife of part of one messuage lying between his croft and the way extending towards Smal meduwe. Witnessed by William de Banwalle, John Smyth of Stoke, Richard his son, William Harries, Gilbert de la Pyrie. Dated at la Pyrie Wednesday before St. John Baptist's day, 27 Edward III.

¹ *Rot. Pat.* 3 Edward III., 1st part. m. 2.

23. 1358. Grant in fee from Miles Bisschop of la Pirrye to Walter le Hounte of Arpeton of land in the Estfield between lands of Gilbert de la Pirie at le Longgelond stretching from the land of the church of Stokebleez to (other) land of the said church; and also land next le Longelond between lands of the said Gilbert, John Gilmyns, and of the church. Witnessed by Gilbert de la Pirie, Thomas de la Pirie, John de Longeley, Richard Portham, William Herryys. Dated Sunday after Corpus Christi, 32 Edward III.

Seal.

24. 1362. Lease from Gilbert de la Pirie, Thomas de la Pirie, Richard Portham and Walter le Hounte of Harpeton, to Hugh Titebach and Margery his wife of all lands which they had of the gift of John son of William Visch in the parish of Stokeblese for the term of the lives of Hugh and Margery, rendering yearly to the King and the lord of the fee the services, and rendering to the said John Visch for the first 12 years 4s. 4d. and afterwards 40s. a year. After decease of Hugh and Margery the premises to remain to John Visch, Alice his wife, and John their son and his heirs. Remainder in succession to Stephen, William, Margery and Edith, children of the said John and Alice, and their heirs. Witnessed by John de la Haye, William de Banwalle, Walter de Hampton, John Suel, Richard de la Hull. Dated at La Pole in Stokebleez, Thursday after the feast of St. Gregory, 36 Edward III.

Seal gone.

25. 1362. Grant from John son of William Visch to Gilbert de la Pyrie, Thomas de la Pyrie, Richard Portham and Walter le Hounte of Harpeton of all his lands and tenements in Stoke Blez. Witnessed by John de la Hay, William de la Heye, William de la Hyde, John Pannyng, Philip Kneyl. Dated at La Pole, Thursday in the feast of St. Matthias, 36 Edward III.

Seal, a device.

26. 1376. Power of Attorney from Richard Pyn to Richard Wilkynes to deliver seisin to Robert de Holgot and Richard de la Thorn of all his lands in Littlecuyr, with one piece of land in Hydefeld. Dated at Cuyr, Sunday after Holy Trinity, 50 Edward III.

No seal.

27. 1390. Certificate from Sir Walter de Cokeseye, Knight, that John Sturmy holds of him for life one messuage in his lordship of Kynggeshemede which Roger le Grant formerly held of the said John. Dated at Caldwell, Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr (3 July), [14 Richard II.]. In French.

Seal, on a bend three lozenges, with a bordering¹.

28. 1399. Release from Margery daughter of John Pannyng to John Poytes of one toft with half a virgate of land at le Pyrye in the parish of Stokebleez, which her father held. Witnessed by William Kylmuscote, William Hopkinus, John de la Poole, William de la Grene, John Broke. Dated at le Thornbury, Sunday after the Assumption of the Blessed Mary, 23 Richard II.

Seal gone.

29. 1400. Release from William Fesche, son and heir of John Fysche, to John Bryd and Nicholas Turburvye of all the lands and tenements formerly held by John Fysch his father in the vill of Perye in the parish of Stokeblez. Witnessed by Thomas Hey, John Huchyunns, William Perye, William Hyde. Dated at Perye, feast of St. Gregory the Pope (12 March), 1 Henry IV.

30. 1400. Letter of attorney from John Fesch of Perrie to William Hyde to deliver seizin of all his lands in Perrie in the parish of Stoke Blys to John Bryd and Nicholas Turbevye. Witnessed by Thomas Hyde, John Huchynns, William Peyrie, Philip Pyn, John Gybonses. Dated at Perie, Sunday next after the feast of the Purification, 1 Henry IV.

31. 1402. Grant in fee from John Poyte of the parish of Thorneburi to Richard his younger son of all his lands and tenements in the vill of la Pirye in the parish of Stokebles. Witnessed by Robert Coli, rector of the church of Thorneburi, John Broke of the same, William de la Hyde, William de la Pirye, William Kelmescote. Dated at Pannynge in the parish of Stokebles, feast of St. Benedict the Abbot (21 March), 3 Henry IV.

Seal, with design and legend.

¹ The arms of Cooksey were (Grazebrook, *Her. of Worc.*, 135) Argent, a bend azure charged with three cinquefoils or be-

tween two mullets sable, all within a bordure gules bezantée.



LADY PYTTS, of Kyre.

Inscribed

ATATIS SVÆ, 32.

A, DÑI, 1612.

On Panel, 4 ft. by 3 ft.

32. 1408. Release from Richard Pyt of Thornbury to Walter Coly of Perye of all actions for the payment of 20s. which was paid to Pyt on All Saints' day. 10 Henry IV.

Seal of arms, on a bend, cotised invecked, between two stars, three birds.

33. 1418. Grant in fee from Margery Paty of Bromzord, widow, to William Kylmescot of Nethewode, Robert Coly, parson of the church of Thornebury, and John Kylmescott of Magna Marcle, of 4s. 6d. of yearly rent, with suits of court, wardships, &c., in the vill of Pyry, which descended to her as coheir of Sir William Bysshoperton, Knight, Richard Rowdon, Esquire, and Margery wife of Thomas Walsche. Witnessed by William Hyde of la Hyde, John Hyde of the same, Richard Hyde of la Pyry, John Huchyns of the same, Roger Wylkynes of Parva Cur'. Dated at Pyry, 1 April, 6 Henry V.

Seal of arms, a bend cotised wavy, bearing three charges.

34. 1418. Release by Margery Paty of Bromzord in her pure widowhood to William Kylmescot of Nethewode, of all right in 18s. of yearly rent, with suits of court, wardships, marriages, heriots and reliefs, in the vill of Pyry, whereof a fourth part descended to her as coheir of Sir William Bysshoperton, Knight, Richard Rowdon, Esquire, and Margery wife of Thomas Walsche. Witnessed by William Hyde of la Hyde, John Hyde of the same, Richard Hyde of la Pyry, John Huchyns of the same, Roger Wylkynes of Parva Cur'. Dated at Pyry, 2 April, 6 Henry V.

Seal of arms, a bend cotised wavy, bearing three charges.

35. 1427. Power of Attorney from William Kylmescot of Nethewode and Robert Coly, parson of the church of Thornbury, to John Fynaunte to deliver to Sir Simon late chaplain of the chantry of the Blessed Mary of Bromyard and William Hunte of Dodydaleshope seisin of 4s. 6d. of yearly rent which the donors lately had with John Kylmescot of Great Marcle, with suit of court, wardships, heriots, &c., in the vill of Pyrye, of the gift of Margarey Paty of Bromyard, widow. Witnessed by John Howchyn, Richard Hyde, John Fynaunte, Roger Gogh, John Yorkyn, and others. Dated

at le (*sic*) Pyrye, the Eve of the Purification of the Virgin Mary (2 February), 5 Henry VI.

Two *seals*, one with the letter W.

36. 1427. Grant from William Kylmescote of Nethewode and Robert Coley, parson of the church of Thornbury, to Sir Simon, late chaplain of the Church of St. Mary of Bromyard and William Hunte of Dodydaleshoppe, of 4s. 6d. of yearly rent which they lately had with John Kylmescote of Magna Marcle with suits of court, etc., in the vill of Pyrie of the gift of Margery Paty of Bromyard, in her pure widowhood, coheir of Sir William Byshopston, Knight, Richard Rowdon, Esquire, and Margery his wife, and Thomas Walsshe. Witnessed by John Howchyn, Richard Hyde, John Fynaunte, Roger Gogh, John Yorkyn. Dated at Le Pyrie, on the eve of the Purification, 5 Henry VI.

37. 1427. Grant from Nicholas Turbervyl to Sir Simon, late chaplain of the chantry of the Blessed Mary of Bromyard and William Hunte of Dodydaleshope in the parish of Bodenham, of all those lands and tenements, etc., which he lately had with John Bryd of the gift of John Fysch in Pyrye within the parish of Stokeblees, co. Hereford. Witnessed by John Howchyn, Richard Hyde, John Fynaunte, Roger Gogh, John Yorkyn. Dated at le Pyrye, Tuesday before the Purification (2 February), 5 Henry VI.

Seal, the letter *℥*.

38. 1434. Grant from Phelippe Pyn of Lytulkure to Maurice Addames and Elizabeth his wife of a tenement in Lytelcure lying between the fields called Lowns and the common way leading towards the manor of Lytelcure on one part, and in length extending on the one hand to the King's highway and on the other to the close of Thomas Hey. Also two parcels of land, one lying in Salowhull and called Old Croft, and the other in Cotewynbache between the common footpath on one side and the land of William Delahay on the other side. Also another acre lying in Brodecroft, between the footpath leading towards Mapulthornefeild and the land of John Bannewall on the other side. Also another capital acre lying in Stonifelde, between the common footpath on one side and the land of Ralph Walsh on the other side, with three sellions

lying in Stonifield next the land of Simon Hyndbosc, to have and to hold the whole tenement which is called Hanecoq or Hancokshelde, to hold of the capital lord of the fee by customary services for their joint lives and their heirs legitimately begotten, failing whom to be heirs of the said Philip Pyn for ever. Witnessed by Henry Hyde, Thomas Hey, John Borewer, Thomas Hyde, Ralph Walsche and many others. Dated at Lytelcure, Wednesday in Easter week, 12 Henry VI.

39. 1434. Release from Richard Greene, Vicar of Wolfurlowe, to Isabel wife of John Downe, daughter and heir of Hugh Grainger of Pownswyk in the parish of Wolferlow, of lands and tenements called Pownswyk Land, which he had with John Bryd of Undurleth and John Mulleward of Clyfton by the gift of William Schepard of Pownswick. Witnessed by John Borewall, William Watyns, Walter Cruk, Thomas Alesawnder, Phelip Brome. Dated at Pownswick, Sunday next before the Feast of St. Valentine, 12 Henry VI.

40. 1437. Grant from Philip Pyn of Cuyre Parva to Maurice Adams of Stokebles and Elizabeth his wife of one acre of arable land, six sellions, lying in the field called Cokkesheotefeld between the land of Henry Huyde on one side and of Ralph Walshe on the other, and extending to the footpath by which one goes to the church of Stokebles as far as Brodcrofte greene, which Richard Pyn the donor's father had by the feoffment of Isabella Body. Remainder to Philip Pyn's right heirs. Witnessed by John Whitford, vicar of the church of Stokebles aforesaid, Thomas Harlowe senior, of Colynton, John Borewaye, Thomas Huyde Smyth, Roger Wylkyns and others. Dated at Cuyre Parva, Wednesday 22 May, 15 Henry VI.

41. 1439. Release from Richard de la Pole son and heir of John Pole of Thornbury to Walter de la Burches of Burches in the parish of Bockleton and Agnes his wife daughter of Walter Coly, late of Thornbury, of all lands and tenements in the township of La Pyrye which they have of the gift of John his father and Walter Coly, and which formerly belonged to Richard Poyte

junior, of Cur bache, as appears by his charter. Witnessed by John Parker of Nethewood, parker, John Huchyns of La Pyrye, Roger Micolles, John Snelle, Thomas Harlowe. Dated at Pyrye on the feast of St. Vincent the Martyr (22 January), 17 Henry VI.

Seal, 1 P.

42. 1442. Release by Malyn, formerly wife of William Kylmescot, to William Doune of 4s. 6d. of yearly rent, with suits of court, wardships, marriages, heriots, reliefs, and all other profits in the vill of Pyrye and Pole. Witnessed by Richard Hyde, John Huchynes, Thomas Hyde, John Borwer, Roger Barwe. Dated at Pyry, Thursday after the feast of St. Lucy the Virgin (13 December), 21 Henry VI.

Seal, a flower in a shield.

43. 1443. Release by Simon Somner, chaplain, and Philip Blake to William Doune of his right in lands, tenements, etc., in la Pole and la Pyrrye. Witnessed by Luke Barwe, Walter Algard, Thomas Dodeshull, Ralph Walshe, John Oldbury. Dated at la Pyrrye, Tuesday after St. Hilary (13 January), 21 Henry VI.

Two *seals*, one broken, the other with figure of Virgin and Child, and legend.

44. 1443. Grant by Simon Somner, chaplain, to William Downe of lands and a tenement in La Pole and La Pyry, with 2s. 3d. of rent in the vill of Pyry. Witnessed by Walter Algarde, Thomas Dodeshull, Ralph Walsh, John Coly, John Oldbury, David Webb, Luke Burwe. Dated at La Pyry, Tuesday next after the Epiphany, 21 Henry VI.

Two *seals*.

45. 1443. Power of Attorney from Simon Somnor of Bromyard, Chaplain, to Roger Barwe, to give William Down full seisin of his property in Pyrye and Pole and 2s. 3d. of annual rents. Dated at Pyry, Tuesday next after the feast of Epiphany, 21 Henry VI.

46. 1448. Grant in fee by William Downe of la Pole, son of John Downe of la Hyde, to William Fox of Sutton Sturmy in



*EDWARD PYTTS, M.P.
Died 1672, aged 66.
Miniature, actual size.*



*ANNE, d. of Sir John Fettiplace, of Childry, Oxon.
Widow of James Pytts. Founded Kyre Hospital.
Died 1715.
Size, 4 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 6 in.*

the parish of Themedbury, and John Downe of la Lee in the parish of Oversapy junior, brother of the donor, of all his lands and tenements in la Pole within the parish of Stokeblese and in la Pyry, with 4s. 6d. of yearly rent, with suits of court, wardships, marriages, heriots, reliefs, etc., which he had of the gifts of Simon Sompnour of Bromyard, Chaplain, Philip Blake, and Malina late relict of William Kylmescote, formerly Parker of Nethewood, in the vills and fields of Pole and Pyry. Witnessed by John Boreware of Parva Cure, William Boreware his son, of the same, Roger Barowe of the same, John Huchyns of Pyry, Richard Huchyns his son of the same. Dated at Pole, Wednesday, the feast of St. Kenelm, King and Martyr (17 July), 26 Henry VI.

Seal, a device.

47. 1448. Grant from William Fox of Sutton Sturmy in the parish of Themedbury, and John Downe de la Lee in the parish of Over Sapy junior, son of John Downe of the Hyde senior, to William Downe de la Pole son of the said John Downe senior, and to Isabella his wife, daughter of Roger Lone of Sutton aforesaid, of all our lands and tenements in la Pole aforesaid in the parish of Stokeblese and in la Pyrry with 4s. 6d. of annual rent, together with suits of court, etc., which they had by gift and feoffment from the aforesaid William Downe in the Pole and the Pyrry aforesaid to hold to William Downe and Isabella and their heirs of the capital lord of the fee by the customary services, failing whom to Roger Downe brother of William, failing whom to Thomas Downe junior, son of the aforesaid John Downe junior, the grantor and brother of William Downe, failing whom to the right heirs of William Downe. Witnessed by John Whitford, then vicar of the church of Stoke Blese, Roger Barowe of Little Cure, William Wilkyns son of Roger Wilkyns of the same, Thomas Brome of the same, Richard Huchyns son of John Huchyns de Pyrry, and others. Dated at the Pole, Thursday in the feast of Peter ad vincula (1 August), 26 Henry VI.

Two seals.

48. 1453. Grant in fee tail from John Payne of Stoke and John Turbevyle of Cureslade to Agnes wife of Thomas Hynkley, daughter and heir of Richard Hyde late of Cureslade, of all lands

and tenements which they had with Walter Algard deceased of the gift of the said Richard Hyde in the counties of Worcester and Hereford in the lordship of Stokeblese, with remainder to Alice Payne wife of the said John Payne, daughter of John Merymon, her heirs and assigns. Witnessed by John Borewall, Richard Huchons, William Pole, William Wilkyns, William Borewall. Dated at Hyde, Thursday before St. John Baptist (24 June), 31 Henry VI.

Two *seals*.

49. 1464. Letters of discharge by the Commissary of the Bishop of Hereford to Edmund Borne and Edmund Tayler, administrators of Sir Hugh Mortimer, to whom letters were granted in 1460. Dated 16 January, 1464.

On a parchment attached is the following inventory of his goods :—

	£	s.	d.
12 Oxen 10s. each	6	0	0
12 Kine and a Bole	4	0	0
8 Spoons of silver		16	0
A hanging bed of red say with the costeres	3	6	8
2 Steyned beddes with honging thereto and an heling	1	6	8
2 Feder beddes and 10 overworn matris	2	13	4
2 pair of fustians		13	4
6 pair of blankets		10	0
20 Reverlites	2	0	0
Napery and linen cloth	2	0	0
The crops that was on the earth, horses, and harness	6	13	4
After the Heriots were paid	2	0	0
Brass and Pewter	2	0	0
	£33	19	4

Endorsed, "Sir Hugh Mortimer, Kt., his Administracon."

Good *seal* of the Bishop's Commissary¹.

50. 1465. Grant in fee from Elizabeth Adams of Parva Curye to John Parker, parker (*parcarius*) of Nethewode, William Borewall and Thomas Brome of her lands and tenements in Parva Curye within the parish of Stokebles. Witnessed by John Huyde, Richard

¹ This seal is possibly unique.



Sam Pytt

Married 1st—Francis, d. of Sir Saml. Sandys
 2nd—Catherine, d. of Sir James Rutland. Died 1702.
 3rd—Catherine, Countess of Bellomont.

Died 1729.

Size, 3 ft. by 2 ft. 6 in.



CATHERINE, COUNTESS OF BELLOMONT.

D. and b. of Bridges Nanfan, of Birtminster.

Married Samuel Pytt, M.P., 1720.

Died 1737, aged 72.

Size, 3 ft. by 2 ft. 6 in.

Hechyn, William Pole, Ralph Banewall, John Lee. Dated at Parva Curyc, 20 February, 4 Edward IV.

Seal, the letter *℥*.

51. 1465. Release from William Payne and Alice his wife and William Cocke and Isabella his wife, daughters and heirs of Walter de la Birches and Agnes his wife, to John Parker, parker of Nethewood, Edmund Hethe Rector of Thornbury, and Richard Parker Vicar of Wolferlow, of all lands in the Vill of Pery, in the parish of Stoke Bliss, which descended to them after the decease of Agnes their mother. Witnessed by William Borewall, John Wolley, William Pole. Dated at Pery, 24 March, 5 Edward IV.

Four seals.

52. 1476. Grant from Richard Huchonys of Le Pery and Isabel his wife to William Downe of Pole in the parish of Stoke Blez and Joan his wife, of one close called Sankottes medewe lying next the messuage called Pawnynges on the one side and the field called Pawnynges on the other side, and extending at one head to Le Wyhte's Dyngull. Witnessed by Richard Torbyll, Roger Downe, John Symondes. Dated at Pole, 20 June, 16 Edward IV.

Two seals.

Endorsed, A free deed of Sankote medow within the Pannynge to Wm. Downe of the Poole, 16 Edward IV.

53. 1482. Grant by Richard Launde, son and heir of John Launde of the parish of Temedebury, to William Downe of Stoke Blese and Joan his wife of one grove called Launde's Grove, in the parish of Stoke Blese, at the upper end of the field called Hasyll Walles feld, formerly in the tenure of John Pole, six acres of arable land whereof 13 sellions lie next to the small water leading from Launde's well, and extending to the land formerly of the said John Pole now in the tenure of William Downe, and to the land called Pannynge and to the King's highway leading to Bockleton. Witnessed by Richard Turbyll, Richard Huchonys, Roger Downe, Thomas Towne, William Hyde. Dated at La Pole, 2 December, 22 Edward IV.

54. 1483. Grant by Edmund Hethe, Rector of Thornbury, to William Cocke and Isabella his wife, daughter and heir of the late Walter de la Birches and Agnes his wife, of lands and tenements of the said Walter and Agnes in the township of Pery which the rector jointly had with John Parker of Nethewode and Richard Parker vicar of the church of Wolfurlowe, of the gift of William Payne and Alice his wife, and William Cock and Isabella his wife. Witnessed by Hugh Shirley, William Winton, Richard Hochons, Thomas Pole, Thomas Tiles. Dated at Pery, 16 September, 1 Richard III.

55. 1484. Grant by Katherine Gard, daughter and heir of Elizabeth Gard, formerly wife of John Gard of Repull (Ripple) in co. Worcester, to John Pole, yeoman, of one messuage with lands and meadows in Parva Kyre. Witnessed by Geoffrey Weaver and others. Dated at Bredon on the Feast of St. Barnabas the Apostle (11 June), 1 Richard III.

Seal gone.

56. 1484. Power of Attorney from Katherine Gard, daughter and heir of Elizabeth Gard, to John Pole and Thomas Pole, to recover and receive all evidences concerning one messuage which was formerly belonging to Philip Pyn, with six years' arrears of rent. Dated St. Barnabas the Apostle (11 June), 1 Richard III.

Seal, an animal.

57. 1484. Power of attorney from Katherine Gard, daughter and heir of Elizabeth Gard, to John Baghan of Bromyard, Gentleman, to deliver to John Pole of Parva Cure one messuage in Parva Cura. Dated at Bredon, Feast of St. Barnabas (11 June), 1 Richard III.

Seal, an animal.

58. 1486. Grant from Sir John Mortymer to Thomas Hankys and Joan his wife of one furlong of land in the field called le Grove feld extending at the head to the paling of the Park at Kyre, and all parcels of land lying in the field called Le Hygh Lye, to have and to hold to the said Thomas Hankys and Joan his wife and their heirs and assigns for ever in exchange for one



By Vanderbank.

MRS. CHILDE, of Kinket, 1728.
Only sister of Edmund Pytts.
Married (1720) W. L. Childe, M.P.
Died 1763.



Edmund Pytts

Married 1st — Susanna, d. and b. of Adml. Collett.
2nd — Anne, Countess of Coventry, died 1788, aged 96.
Died 1753, aged 57. Buried at, Holt Castle.
Size, 4 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 9 in.



SUSANNA A., d. and b. of Adml. Collett.
Married at the Minories, London, 1726.

Died 1742.
Buried at Upton, Essex.
Size, 4 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 9 in.

63. 1514. Grant in fee tail from John Thomlyns of Stoke Blece and Walter Reve of Upper Sapy, to Henry Downe, son of Roger Downe and Joan his wife, daughter of Thomas Perkyns of Upper Sapy, of a tenement with lands, etc., called la Pole in the parish of Stoke Blece, which donors had of the gift of Roger Downe of Fullams, with remainder to the right heirs of Roger. Witnessed by John Downe, Philip Brome, Robert Pytt, John Couper, John Taylor. Dated at Pole, 20 June, 6 Henry VIII.

Two *Seals*, blank.

64. 1520. Bargain and sale by Sir Thomas West, Knight, cousin and heir to Sir Hugh Mortimer, Knight, namely son of Elizabeth daughter of Sir Hugh, to John Croft, Esquire, brother of the said Elizabeth wife of Sir Thomas West, of his manor of Cure, otherwise Cure Wyard, with the advowson of the church, and all his lands there, for £400. Signed and sealed by Thomas West. Dated 8 May, 12 Henry VIII.

65. 1520. Sale by John Croft, Esquire, to Sir William Compton, Knight, of the manor of Cure, otherwise Cure Wyard, and the advowson and lands, rents and tenements for £400. Signed and sealed by John Croft. Dated 21 May, 12 Henry VIII.

66. 1520. Fine in duplicate between John Crofte, Roger Winter, Philip Harvard, and John Ffysche, plaintiffs, and Thomas West of Cuyre Wyarde, Knight, defendant, of the manor of Cuyre Wyarde, 7 houses, one mill, 300 acres of land, 400 acres of pasture, 200 acres of wood, and £6 of rent with appurtenances in Cuyre Wyard, and the advowson of the church of Kyre Wyard, in the county of Worcester. Dated respectively 9 May and 21 May, 12 Henry VIII.

Seals of Henry VIII., black wax, fine impressions.

67. 1521. Fine levied between Sir William Compton, Knight, plaintiff, and John Croft, Esquire, defendant, of the manor of Kyer Wyard, 7 messuages, one mill, 300 acres of land, 400 acres of pasture, 200 acres of wood, £6 of rent in Kyer Wyard, and the advowson of the church. Dated in the Octaves of Trinity, 13 Henry VIII.

gent., for £40, of three messuages in the Pery in the parish of Stoke Bless, formerly Hutchins' lands, now occupied by John Pytte and William Pery. Dated 2 January, 27 Henry VIII.

Seal, the letter **m**.

73. 1536. Fine between Thomas Barnabie, plaintiff, and Walter Mason and Anne his wife, defendants, of three messuages, 120 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood, and 6 acres of furze and heath in Pery and Stokebles. Thomas gave to Walter and Anne £40 sterling. Dated in Michaelmas term, 28 Henry VIII.

74. 1543. Award as follows.

Thys awarde Indented made the vjth day of June in the xxxvth yere of the Raynge of ow're Soverange lorde Kyng Henry by the grace of god Kyng of England, ffraunce and Ireland, defender of the feythe and supreme hed of the Catheholyke church of Englund and Ireland wytnes that we Rehard Wynford of Over Sapy and Thomas Baskervyle of Nethewod within the counte of Hereford gentylmen Arbytrators indeferently elected and chosen by Wylliam Pyt of Stokeblys in the counte of Hereford yoman on the one partye and Harry Downe of the Pole of the same and in the same counte yoman on the other partye hathe callyd bothe seyd partyes before usse and hathe examyned them indeferently, and upon ther examynacyon bothe partyes of ther owne frewylls and concent hathe submitted them and all ther matters vnto the dyscrescyons of the seyd Rehard Wynford and Thomas Baskerfeyd who hathe bownde the seyd partyes greued the one to the other in severall obligacyons in the Sume of x*li*. a pece whyche bereth day and date hereof that is to sey the seyd partyes greued shall stande to all theare Jugement and award made by the seyd Richard Wynford and Thomas Baskerfeylde so that the award be made and delyuered before the feyst of Seyt Johans dey the Baptysts next overyinge the date hereof in manner and forme foloyng that ys to sey the partyes greued shall be from hendseforth to be lovers and freyndes the won to forgive the other after the order of charete al manner of accions, suts, quares, detts, accounts debats and demands whatsoever they be from the begynnyng of thys worlde unto thys date and makyng hereof and more the seyd partyes



Signed T. Beach, 1779

Edm^d Pytts

Born 1729. Died 1781.

With his brother Samuel.

Size, 4 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 9 in.

greued shall stand to the lossys and transgressions at any tyme don the one against the other with all hys or there costs expenses and charges by meane of vexation or otherwyse except and reserved by thys owre awarde holy into the hands of Harry Downe ether of his assignes xxd. in redemone to be payde by the hands of the seyd Wylliam Pyt ether of his assignes. At the sealling and delivery hereof and forther the seyd Harry Downe shalby thys owre awarde at all tyme or tymes goynge in procession after the banner of Cryst shall take forthe the seyd Wylliam Pyt and to go egally together in procession and the seyd Harry to put the seyd Wylliam on the ryght hand of the seyd Harry ever. And in lyke manner the wyves of the seyd partyes greued shall go ever in possession after the seyd banner prouyded alway that thys awarde is made and geven without any frawde ether gyle vnto any of the seyd partyes not at all seassones be not dysposed to goo in procession for that thys awarde shalnot at no tyme incurre the dawunger of thys penalte of *xli*. of nether of the seyd partyes thus greued finally yt hys awarded that the seyd Harry shall where the goyngs or places be strayte that the on canot goo ageynst the other that then the seyd Harry shall put forthe the seyd Wylliam before excepte the said Wylliam wyll of hys owne good manner and oneste put the seyd Harry before for seniorite or age thys seyde bounde not with standynge in ony wysse. And as for all manner of incroachments of mers and bounds (*sic*) heyghways law pathes to church mylle or market always to be reserued vnto the lets or courts of whom the seyd partyes greued do holde or dwelle vnder or eny ple of lands may happen to be in vareance betwyxt the seyd partyes greued thys awarde there of to take in suche case non effect. In wytnes where of the partyes arbitrators beforeseyd ther seales and sygnes haue putt this day and yere aboueseyd. per me Ricu^m Wynford Thomas Baskeruyle.

Indorsed "a folish awarde" in Sir Edward Pytts' writing.

75. 1548. Bond from Joan Borewall, late of Parva Cura, single woman, and Richard Whytney of Marteley, gentleman, to William Pytt, for £50, the condition to make a sufficient estate of their ground and tenement in Hamnashe, Clifford, when required and in the manner required. Dated 26 December, 2 Edward VI.

76. 1570. Marriage settlement of Edward Pytts of the Inner Temple and Elizabeth Wylford, daughter of Nicholas Wylford, late citizen and merchant tailor of the City of London, and sister of Thomas Wylford citizen and merchant tailor. £400 to be paid to Elizabeth if she outlives her husband and there are no children; if there are children the sum is to be £500. If Edward Pytts should survive his father William and Katherine wife of the said William, he shall make over to the said Thomas Wylford a good sufficient and lawful estate in fee simple in the counties of Hereford, Radnor, and Worcester, of the yearly rent of £50, to the use of the said Edward and Elizabeth, the longest liver of them, and to their issue. If the said Edward should predecease William and Katherine his wife then 14 marks of lawful money over and above all charges shall descend to the children. Dated 31 July, 1570, 12 Elizabeth.

77. 1574. Demise by Katherine Pytt of the Pyrry in the county of Hereford, late wife of William Pytt, deceased, to Richard Pytt, Edward Pytt, and William Pytt, son of Edward Pytt, of the Pyrry in the parish of Stocke with lands and woods, now in the tenure of the said Katherine, for £120 13s. 4d. Witnessed by John Buston, William Pytt, John Turbyll, Roger Nevill, and others. Dated 10 January, 16 Elizabeth.

Endorsed, "Mother's lease of the Pyrry to Edward Pytt."

78. 1575. Lease from Thomas Baskervyle of Nethewood to Walter Lyngen of Laysters, in the county of Hereford, James Lyngen his son, and Elizabeth wife of James, of two messuages, of which one is builded, and two yard lands called the Banwalles, one acre of land called the Lady Aker with the appurtenances, and of certain woods and groves called Chaveridge, Hanging Grove, and Scotts Grove, late in the occupation of William Berham, and also of a house lately builded in Chaveridge, late in the occupation of Thomas Downes in the parish of Stoke Bliss. Fine £53 os. 4d. Witnessed by Anthony Aston, Richard Bayam the elder, Roger Goode, John Crumpe, and others. Dated 30 June, 17 Elizabeth.

79. 1576. Indenture between Edward Pytts of Keare in the county of Worcester of the one part and the Right Honorable



Jonⁿ Pytts

*Died 1807, aged 77.
Size, 4 ft. 6 in. by 3 ft. 9 in.*



By T. Beech, 1777.

*MADAM PYTTS, of Kyre.
Widow of Jonathan Pytts. Died 1832, aged 84.
Size, 2 ft. 9 in. by 2 ft. 6 in.*



By R. Chalmers.

Wm Lacon Childe

WILLIAM LACON CHILDE, M.P.

Of Kinlet and Kyre.

Born 1784. Died 1880.



By A. Chambers.

Ed. Geo. Baldwyn Childe

EDWARD GEORGE BALDWIN-CHILDE.

Of Kyre.

Prebendary of Hereford.

Born 1818. Died 1898.

Henry Compton, Knight, Lord Compton, of the other part. Whereas Lord Compton standeth bound to the said Edward Pytt in the sum of £4,000, he hath now bargained and sold unto the said Edward Pitt the manor of Kear with its appurtenances, alias Kuyre Wyard. Signed, Compton. Witnessed by John Payne, Will. Kinson, John Warde, Richard Greene, scrivener. Dated 30 November, 19 Elizabeth.

Seal, a lion courant between 3 helmets.

Endorsed, "My L. Compton's Defeisaunce."

80. 1576. Receipt by Roger Grafton of the parish of Pencombe, Herefordshire, yeoman, from Edward Pitt of London, gentleman, by the hands of Roger Nevell his servant, for the sum of £16 13s. 4d., viz. £10 being the moiety of 20*li.* given by Katherine Evett, mother in law unto the said Roger Grafton, to Elizabeth his wife and Alice Pitt her sister, and 6*li.* 13s. 4d. in consideration of a bed bequeathed to the said Elizabeth by the will of William Pitt of Stoke Blisse, deceased, her father. Witnessed by Richard Grafton, Robert Pyttes, John Buston¹. Signed and sealed by Roger Grafton. Dated 15 December, 19 Elizabeth.

81. 1577. Bond, the condition being that William Oliver having sold to James Pyte, for a sum of money paid before the sealing thereof, one parcel of land with the appurtenance lying in the parish of Stoke Bliss in the county of Hereford known by the name of "Scaint Flechar's Chappell churchyarde alias Chappell Close," if James Pytte shall have and enjoy the said piece of land it shall be of none effect. Dated 28 January, 19 Elizabeth.

82. 1577. Grant from Thomas Downes of Le Poole, yeoman, to William Pateshall of Puddleston, gentleman, and Francis Downes of Le Hyde, in consideration of a marriage solemnised in fulfilment of certain agreements and promises between the aforesaid Thomas Downes and Izota his wife, sister of John Pateshall of Le Foorde, co. Hereford, esquire, lately deceased, of his messuage called

¹ William Pyttes' wife was Katherine Buston.

THE KYRE PARK CHARTERS.

~~...~~ the parish of Stokeblis with all lands appertaining
~~...~~ to the use of Thomas Downes, his wife, and their heirs.
~~...~~ sealed by Francis Downes and William Pateshall.
~~...~~ April, 19 Elizabeth.
~~...~~ letters F. I. D.

~~83~~ 1577. (Much torn and defaced.) Undertaking from Thomas
~~...~~ de Pyrrey, yeoman, and Roger Nevell de Kyre Park, who
~~...~~ to Thomas Turbyl of Kyer Wyard, to pay £25 at the
~~...~~ dwelling house of Thomas Turbyl or at the houses
~~...~~ certayne timber trees sold of the Inner Temple,
~~...~~

84. 1577. Memorandum that upon Tuesday, 19 November,
1577, in the 20th year of the reign of our sovereign lady Elizabeth,
Roger Neuell, servant or bailiff of Edward Pytt of the Inner
Temple in London, gent., entered into the whole manor of Kyre-
wyarde alias Cure Wyard, in the county of Worcester, and into
every several tenement thereof in the name of the whole manor
with the appurtenances upon the possession of William Baldwyn,
who wrongfully and without title hath disseized the said Edward
Pitt, in the presence of William Sharpe, clerk, John Turbell, Thomas
Pytt of the Park, Richard Pytt of Cotheryche, Robert Pytt, Thomas
Pitt of the Perrye¹.

85. 1578. Grant from Edward Pytt of Kyer to Thomas Wilford
and Richard Parkyns, in consideration of a competent fortune to
be affirmed to Elizabeth his now wife and for the establishment
and maintenance of his blood and name, of the manor of Kyre
Wyard alias Cure Wyard, the patronage of the church of Kyer
Wyard, and all belonging to it (except all lands lying in Bokelton
being parcel of the said manor, and 31A. OR. 20P. in the occupation
of Roger Perye and Margaret his wife, and 53A. 1R. in the occu-

¹ Possibly a copy of some original document, only two handwritings being used, one
for the body, the other for all the signatures.



pation of Thomas Leeth¹ and Agnes his wife and John their son), for the use of Edward Pytt, of Elizabeth his wife, then of his sons William, James, and Edward in succession, failing whom to his own right heirs for ever. Signed by Edward Pytt. Dated 27 May, 20 Elizabeth.

Seal, the Arms of Pytts, Barry, an orle of escutcheons.

Endorsed in the handwriting of Sir Edward Pytts, "A perpetual entail of the Manor of Kyre."

86. 1578. Exemplification under the great seal of a fine levied Mich. term. 20, 21 Elizabeth, between Richard Parkyns, gent., and Thomas Webbe, gent., and Edward Pytts, gent., James Baskervyle, gent., and Thomas Pytts, gent., of the manor of Kyre Wyard, including 31s. of rent in Kyrewyard, Estham, and Bockelton, who called to warrant Henry Compton, knight, Lord Compton.

Seal affixed 15 November, 20 Elizabeth.

¹ There are at Kyre a number of deeds as follows relating to a family of the name of Leefe or Leese, which is said to be the same as that called Leeth here, and in No. 312:—

1. 1583. Indenture between John Leefe of Northmardon in the county of Sussex, and Thomas Lodges of Westmardon in the same county yeoman and Margaret his wife, being a sale of Berrywood or Berryfield, and a close called Osbornes, for £120. Dated 19 October, 25 Elizabeth.

2. 1583. Grant from the Crown to Robert Weyman, Margaret his wife, and Margaret Leese, widow, of the wardship and marriage of John Leese, ward of the Queen, and son and heir apparent of John Leese deceased. Extent of property of John Leese who died "19 October last" attached, it being valued at 30s. a year. The ward was 5 years old "25 May last." Dated 24 November, 26 Elizabeth.

3. 1584. Indenture between John Leefe of the parish of Stoughton in the county of Sussex, and Robert Aylwyn of Idsworth in the county of Southampton, being a sale

of six closes of land called Dyddies lying in the parish of Stoughton for £100. Dated 10 March, 26 Elizabeth.

4. 1587. Indenture between John Leefe of Upmardon in Sussex yeoman, and Joan Leefe, wife of Robert Leefe of Northwood in the parish of Stoughton, father of John, and Elizabeth, daughter of Robert and Joan, being a grant of his copyhold lands called Long Croft containing 10 acres more or less in the Manor of Northwood, to the said Joan and Elizabeth for 2,000 years at a rent of a peppercorn. Dated 7 February, 29 Elizabeth.

5. 1611. Deed poll from John Leefe of Northwood in the parish of Upmardon, setting forth that in consideration of a marriage between himself and Elizabeth Church, "consanguinear" of Richard Mathewe of Stansted in the parish of Stoughton, he had granted to the aforesaid Richard Mathewe and William Leefe of Northwood all his property in Upmardon and Stoughton containing 130 acres, to hold to the use of the grantor and the heirs of his body legitimately begotten. Signed: John X Leefe. Dated 13 November, 9 James I.

87. 1579. Sale from Francis Downes of Hyde to James Pytts of Stoke Blyse, yeoman, of the chapel called "Sainte Flecher's Chappell," and one acre and a-half of land and half a virgate of land belonging to the said "late" chapel, situated in Stoke Bliss, and in the tenure of John Pytts, as amply as John Herbert and Andrew Palmer lately had the premises of the grant of Queen Elizabeth by letters patent, dated 22 September, in the 17th year of her reign (1575) to hold of the Queen in socage. Witnessed by William Rowberye, Thomas Pitt, John Hughes, Richard Harley. Dated 1 September, 21 Elizabeth.

Seal of dark wax.

Memorandum that Downes gave possession by cutting a turf and hawthorn twig, and delivering the same to Pytt, in the presence of the same witnesses, 22 February, 22 Elizabeth.

88. 1580. Award endorsed "Barnabie's award."

. . . . Know ye that whereas there is and hath been strife, variance, and discord between one Richard Barnabie of Bockleton, co. Worcester, Esquire, and James Pytt of the Perry to avoide the charges, etc., and by the special motion and curtesie of Edward Pytt of Kyer, Esquire have committed themselves to the final determination of the said Edward Pytt who after examining and debating of the matter makes the following First he doth advise the parties from henceforth shall remit all little claims, suits, quarrels whatsoever, and all arrears of rent which of right were due by the saide James Pytt unto the said Richard Barnabie before the feast of the Annunciation laste paste before the date of this award. Also he doth award that James Pytt shall convey to Richard Barnaby by one sufficient deed all that concealed land called and known by the name of St. Flecher's Chappell, and all appurtenances thereto belonging in the parish of Stoke Bliss now or late in the tenure of James Pytt or his assigns, all which rented premises with their appurtenances the said James Pytt lately had to him and his heirs assigned of the gift and grant of one Francis Downes, gentleman. . . . Also he doth further award that the said James Pytt and his heirs, etc., pay to Richard Barnaby before the feast of St. John the Baptist next coming after the date of these at the new mansion house of the said Richard

Barnaby, called the Hull, situate in the parish of Bockleton, the sum of £10 5s. . . . And further, in consideration of the said deed, Richard Barneby shall permit and suffer the said James Pytt to have and to hold and demyse all his lease and term of years yet to come of all appurtenances, etc., at the Perry, nowe in the tenure and occupation of the said James Pytt, in as large, ample, and beneficial manner as John Pytt his father, deceased, held the same and further, after the said James Pytt shall convey the said concealed lands he enjoys with the Perry house, etc., and further that the said James Pytt and his heirs, etc., shall pay a chief rent of 7s. 10d. . . . to Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood, gentleman Richard Barnaby allowing the said James Pytt yearly towards the payment of 6s. 8d. In witness whereof the said arbitrator to the said award has subscribed his name and put his seal. Signed: Edwarde Pytt. Dated 4 April, 22 Elizabeth.

Seal broken.

89. 1581. Covenant in duplicate between Edward Pytt of Kyer, Esquire, and Richard Parkins of the Inner Temple, Esquire, and Thomas Wilford of London, Esquire, that Edward Pytt, being seized of the Manor of Hanley Chylde and the Perry and the appurtenances, land in Kettle's Cure alias Little Cure, and a burgage and messuage in Leominster, his eldest son William shall pay portions to his two sons James and Edward, if he survives his father. Signed by Edward Pytt and Richard Parkyns. Witnessed by Richard Greene, senior, William Forke, John Hewell, John Middleton. Dated 14 October, 23 Elizabeth.

Two *seals*, arms of Pitt, and a bird.

90. 1582. Bond from Sir Henry Sidney, K.G., Lord President of the Marches, to Edward Pytt of Kyer in £100. Signed "by me, H. Sydney." Witnessed by William Blount and William Pratt. Dated 4 May, 24 Elizabeth.

In writing at foot, "Md. that I, Richard Grene, delyuered the 100*li*. herein mentioned for and from the above-named Edward Pytt unto William Pratt, servant to the above bounde L. President, to his use, of whom I received this obligation, sealed, signed, and delivered from the saide L. President to the use of the saide Edwarde the xxvj daie of Maie, 1582."

Condition on the back of the bond: If the Fifty pounds is repaid before 21 May, 1583, the obligation to be void.

91. 1582. Grant from George Appowell of Hanley Childe, yeoman, to Thomas Pitt of Little Kyer of all his goods, jewels, plate, etc. Pitt is also to receive debts due to him from Richard Reddyng of Underley, gent., and William Turbill of Little Cure. Witnessed by Edward Pitt, owner of the manor, Richard Winton, John Smith, Roger Nevell.

92. 1583. Receipt from John Payne and William Atkinson of London to Edward Pytt of Kyer, Esquire, on behalf of Henry Lord Compton for £1,100 due on a bond. Witnessed by E. Heynes, Ri. Canelea (?), Francis Hodnett, Wm. Towreson, Hugh Harris, Leonard Danett, Thomas Wilford, and Richard Parkyns. Dated 31 May, 25 Elizabeth.

Two seals.

93. 1583. Release from Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood, armiger, to Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyarde, armiger, of a parcel of land containing half a rood in the park of Kyer Wyarde called Kyer Park near Banwall's gate, and of a buck yearly to be received or hunted by the said Thomas in the said park of the said Edward. Signed, Thomas Baskervyle. Dated 2 November, 25 Elizabeth.

Seal of arms defaced.

Sealed and delivered by Robert Pratt, servant to William Childe, arm., in the presence of William Chylde, William Marklowe, Thomas Astone, Simon Hall.

Endorsed, Release of the Buck in Kyre Park.

94. 1585. Fine in which Edward Pytt, Esquire, is plaintiff, and Thomas Baskervyle, Esquire, is deforciant, of the manor of Stoke otherwise Stoke Blysse, and of messuages, lands, rents, etc., in Stoke Blysse, and of the manors of Parva Kyer, otherwise Kettle's Cure, Hull, and Bannolles, and of messuages, lands, rents, etc., in Parva Kyer, Hull, and Bannolles. In Michaelmas Term, 27 Elizabeth.

95. 1585. Release from James Wynton of Bodenham, co. Hereford, gentleman, to Thomas Baskerville of Nethwood, co. Hereford, Esquire, of all suits, debts, etc., which may belong to the former by reason of a defeasance upon a statute or bond made to him by the latter. Witnessed by Francis Lovell, Esquire, Francis Downes, gent., Humfrey Cornwall, Esquire, William Pychard, and Anthony Acton, gent. Dated 16 October, 27 Elizabeth.

96. 1585. Release of James Wynton of Bodenham in the county of Hereford, gentleman, to Edward Pytt of Kyer, Esquire, of rights in the manors of Parva Kyere, otherwise Kettell's Cure, and Hull in the county of Worcester, and the manor of Stoke Blysse in the county of Hereford, with appurtenances, and lands in Estam, Hull, Banwalls, Flyntes, Hurdesley, Hanley Childe, Chaveridge, Pyrrye, and Hyde, in the counties of Hereford and Worcester. Witnessed by Thomas Pytt of the Park, Philip Good, servant to Mr. Thomas Baskerville, John Burhall, Roger Grafton, and William Pytt. Dated 20 October, 27 Elizabeth.

Seal, R. G.

97. 1585. Exemplification of a recovery levied in Michaelmas term, 27 Elizabeth, between Richard Greene and Roger Grafton, plaintiffs, and Edward Pitt, Esquire, defendant, of the manor of Little Kyer, otherwise Kettle's Cure, Hull, Banwalls, and lands in the same places, in which Edward Pitt called to warranty Thomas Baskerville. Dated 29 November, 28 Elizabeth.

Seal, portion of that of the Common Pleas.

98. 1586. Grant of all his goods, jewels and plate whatsoever from George Appowell of Hanley Child, yeoman, to Thomas Pytt of Little Kyre, who is also to receive debts due to him from Richard Reddyng of Underleigh, gent., and William Turbyll of Little Cure. Witnessed by Edward Pytt, the owner of the manor, Richard Wynton, John Smythe, Roger Nevell, with others. Dated 28 February, 28 Elizabeth.

99. 1586. License from the Queen to Thomas Baskerville, Esquire, to alienate to Richard Parkyns and Richard Greene all

tithes of grain arising in the vill and fields of **Rayes Hide** in the parish of **Stoke Bliss**, late in the tenure of **William Pytt**, and all other tithes in the said parcel (parchment perished) to **Francis Penies**, clerk, and formerly belonging to the monastery of **Lymebroke**. Dated 2 July, 28 Elizabeth.

100. 1586. Indenture between **Thomas Baskervill** and **Edward Pitt** securing an annuity of £66 to **Johane Pitt**, daughter of **Edward Pitt**, on her marriage with **John Baskervill**, son and heir of **Thomas Baskervill**. The annuity to be charged upon the lands of **Netherwood**, **Thornbury**, **Edwyn Loch**, and **Stokebliss**. The same to be paid yerely at the feast days of **St. Michael** and the **Annunciation**. If the said annuity is behind and unpaid, power for **Pitt** to enter into the manors and distrain, and also for a penalty of £3 5s. 8d. for such occurrence. Signed **Thomas Baskervyll**. Witnessed by **Richard Parkyns**, **Richard Greene**, **John Hewitt**, servant to the aforesaid **Richard Greene**. Dated 1 November, 28 Elizabeth.

101. 1586. Fine in duplicate levied between **Richard Parkyns**, Esquire, and **Richard Greene**, Esquire, plaintiffs, and **Thomas Baskerville**, Esquire, deforciant, of the manors of **Netherwood**, **Thornbury**, **Edwyn Ralph**, **Butterley**, **Bromyard**, **Edvyn Loach**, and **Collington**, and of tithes in **Stoke Bliss**. **Thomas** was paid £80. Dated the Octave of **St. Martin**, 8 November, 28 Elizabeth.

102. 1586. Indenture between **Thomas Baskerville** of **Netherwood**, co. **Hertford**, Esquire, and **Edward Pytt** of **Kyer Wyard**, co. **Worcester**, Esquire. In consideration of a marriage between **John**, son and heir of **Baskerville**, and **Joan**, daughter of **Pytt**, to be solemnised before the feast of the **Purification**, 1590, "yf thus the said **John** and **Joan** will thereunto agree," and for divers other considerations it is agreed that **Baskervill** shall levy a fine to **Richard Parkyns** and **Richard Green**, who shall hold the manors to the use of **Thomas Baskerville** for his life; after his death one moiety to the use of **Bridget** his wife, after her decease to the said **John Baskerville** until the marriage is solemnised; after the marriage to the said **John** and his heirs; and in default of such

to the right heirs of Thomas Baskerville. If the marriage should take place, and if Thomas Baskervill should pay to Edward Pytt £200 in the porch of the parish church of Kyer, then the use of the said manors limited to Edward Pytt shall cease and be utterly void. Signed "By me Thomas Baskervile." Dated 10 November, 28 Elizabeth.

Memorandum that the money was not paid in the porch of Kyre Church, whereby Edward Pytt became seised of the premises.

Roger Turvill of Kyer attended the receipt and tender from after Prayer and after the Sunesett of the same day together with the said Edward Pytt in the presence of these witnesses :—

William Brimels, clerk.	Edward Burrall.
Thomas Sheffield.	Edward Fisher.
John Burrall.	Thomas Sheffield the younger.
John Ferrington.	Richard Sheffield.
Roger Nevell.	John Pytt.
Richard Turvill.	Richard Chamber.
John Sheffield.	

Endorsed, By this indenture and fyne for non payment of £600 Edwin, Butterley, and Collinton is forfeited. Keep this as the chief conveyance.

103. 1586. Covenant between Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard and Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood, that in consideration of £550 to be paid by Edward Pytt thus :—

	£	s.	d.
Thomas Baskerville	200		
Raphe Sheldon of Beoley	40		
Sundry persons	10		
Anthony Attwood	100		
John Cage of London	100		
Lawrence Washington of Gray's Inn, gent.	20		
Richard Martyn, Alderman of London	30		
Matthew Kirke of Holborn, Tailor	33	6	8
Robert Oliver, Servant to Baskerville	4	13	4
Thomas Butler of Ludlow	12		

and of the marriage of John Baskervill, son and heir of Thomas Baskervill, with Johanna, daughter of Edward Pytt, to take place before the Feast of the Purification, 1590, Thomas Baskervill shall before the Nativity of our Lord settle the manors of Netherwood, Thornbury, Edvin Raffe, Edwin Loach, Butterley, Bromyard, and Colynton, and the rectory of Stoke Bliss, in the following manner; First, on Thomas Baskerville for life without impeachment of waste; then one moiety to the use of Bridgett, now wife of Thomas Baskervill, and after the decease o Bridgett, to the use of the said John until the marriage between the said John and Joane, and after the marriage to the use of John and Joane, the longer liver of them and their heirs, and also shall before the Feast of St. John Baptist, 1591, will and truly pay to the said Edward Pytt or his heirs in the church porch of the parish of Kyer the sum of £200. Dated 10 November, 28 Elizabeth.

Signed, Thomas Baskerville.

Memorandum. That upon the Feast of the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin, 1590, the said Thomas Baskerville should have paid £600 for the redemption of Edwyn, etc. The said Thomas made default of payment, and because the said sum was never rendered nor any part thereof at the church porch of Kyer, by himself, nor any for him, the said Edward Pytt standeth seized of the said manor and premises to him and his heirs for ever.

Roger Turvill of Kyer.	John Sheffield.
William Brimells, Clerk.	Edward Burrall.
Thomas Sheffield.	Edward Fisher.
John Burrall.	Thomas Sheffield the younger.
John Ferrington.	Richard Sheffield.
Roger Newell.	John Pyt.
Richard Turvill.	Richard Chambre.

104. 1586. Indenture reciting a deed of Thomas Baskervile, dated August 1, 27 Elizabeth, between him and Edward Pitt, being a mortgage to Pitt of the manors of Lyttle Kyre alias Kettle's Cure, and Hull in the county of Worcester, and the manor of Stokeblisse in co. Hereford, and other appurtenances, for the sum

of £200. Reciting also a deed dated 2 November, 28 Elizabeth, whereby an exchange of the Mylne Hurst and Comball for certain lands of Edward Pytt was effective. And also that Pytt holds of the said Baskerville 5 messuages and other lands in the Pyrry and Kettle's Cure. It is covenanted that if Baskervill shall redeeme his manors, he shall convey the rents and profits of the 5 messuages in Pyrry to Edward Pitt. Witnessed by Richard Green, John Hewett, servant of Richard, Robwell Oliver. Dated 12 November, 28 Elizabeth.

105. 1586. Indenture between Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard, co. Worcester, Esquire, and Thomas Baskervill of Netherwood, co. Hereford, Esquire, witnessing that Baskervill by a recognisance taken before Sir Edmonde Anderson, Knight, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas at Westminster, stands bound to Pytt in the sum of £1,200. But if the said Baskervill shall duly keep the covenants specified in their several pairs of indentures between the parties, one pair, dated 10 November, being a conveyance of divers manors and lands; another pair bearing date 1 November, containing a grant of an annuity; and the third pair date 12 November, containing certain covenants for a release hereafter to be made by Baskerville of certain quit rents to Pytt or his heirs, the recognisance shall be of no effect. Witnessed by Richard Grene, John Hewett scrivener of Richard, T. Manne. Dated 15 November, 28 Elizabeth.

106. 1586. Fine between Edward Pitts and Thomas Baskerville of Banwolles, with the appurtenances, 6 messuages, 2 tofts, 4 gardens, 200 acres of land, 6 acres of field, 100 acres of pasture, 1 acre of wood, and 2 acres of heather, in Banwolles, Stoke Bliss, Eastham, and Hanley Childe, in the county of Worcester, which are held in capite, as it is said, to have and to hold to Edward Pitts and his heirs for ever.

107. 1586. Release by Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood to Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard of 5 messuages in Pyrry and Kettle's Cure which were belonging to William Pitt the late father of Edward, and also two parcells of land called Mylne Hurst and Comball in Pyrry and Kettle's Cure. Signed "by me, T. Baskerville." Witnessed by Richard Green, Scrivener, John Hewett, Scrivener of Richard, Thomas Mame, Robert Oliver.

Endorsed: Myle Hurst and Comball. Covenant to release Rents and Services in Pyrry and Little Kyre which notwithstanding are already released by the Mortgage.

108. 1586. Lease from Richard Morris, alias Griffiths, of Hanley Child, yeoman, and Thomas Morris, alias Griffiths, to Edward Pytt of Kyer, for £40 at a rent of one peppercorn, for the term of 60 years, of the Grove known as Wynysey's Grove or Griffiths' Grove in the parish of Eastham, as now or at any time to be surrounded or overflowed with water occasioned by the Myll pool lately erected in the park of Kyer. Dated 1 August, 27 Elizabeth.

109. 1586. Recovery to the use of Edward Pytte and to his heirs for ever, expressed and led by an indenture from H., Lord Compton, and by one other from R. Parkyns and T. Webbe. Dated 2 July, 28 Elizabeth.

Royal *Seal*, Elizabeth R.

110. 1588. Endorsed. An exemplification of a recovery, dated Michaelmas Term, 29 and 30 Elizabeth, had by Edward Pytte against Sheffield, an obstinate freeholder in Cure Wiard, for cutting and "challegmise" estovers and the trees in Wolley's Heath, being the lord's waste, with costs and damages of £6 for his trespass. Dated 20 May, 30 Elizabeth.

Royal *Seal*, Elizabeth R.

111. 1592. Lease from Sir James Croft, Knight, to Francis Down of Lyttel Kyre of the Long Meadow in Edwyn, and a tenement in Bromyard.

112. 1596. Fine between Edward Pytt, armiger, plaintiff, and Thomas Baskerville, armiger, and John Baskerville, gentleman, deforciant, of the manor of Bannolles, and of lands in Bannolles, Stokeblysse, Eastham, and Hanley Childe for £80. Fifteen days after Whitsuntide, 38 Elizabeth. Two copies. Dated Easter Term, 38 Elizabeth.

113. 1596. Pardon under the great Seal for Alienation. For the consideration of 42s. the Queen grants Bannolls and lands in Stokebliss, Eastham, and Hanley Childe, which had been sold

without Royal license by Thomas and John Baskerville, to Edward Pytt. Dated 11 November, 38 Elizabeth.

Great Seal of England.

114. 1597. Exemplification under Great Seal of England of a recovery dated Hilary term, 39 Elizabeth. William Pytt, gent., and Richard Grene against Edward Pytt, armiger, defendant, property in Bannolls, Stokeblisse, Eastham, and Hanley Childe. Thomas Baskerville called to warranty.

Great Seal in black wax affixed 12 February, 39 Elizabeth.

Endorsed "Bannolls Recovery."

115. 1598. Bond whereby Thomas Antrobus of Lincoln's Inn, gent., and Edward Pytt of Cure Wyard, Esquire, and Samuel Sands of Ombersley, Esquire, before Sir Edmond Anderson, Knight, chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, became bound unto the said Thomas Antrobus for £2,000, the condition being the payment of £1,100. Signed by Edward Pytts, Sa. Sandes. Dated 25 November, 40 Elizabeth.

Two *seals*, the arms of Pytts, and **W. A.** with a flourish.

116. 1599. Bond from John Baskerville and Thomas Lowe to repay to Sir Edward Pytt £10 10s. on the 7th day of May next ensuing at the usual place for the office of the said Edward Pytt, being within the Falcon Court in the parish of St. Dunstan's in the West in Flete Street in the suburbs of London. Witnessed by Richard Greene, John Humphrey, Edward Pytts, Junior, and William Thorpe. Signed by John Baskervil and Tho: Lowe. Dated 8 June, 1599.

117. 1602. Fine in duplicate between Edward Pytt, Esquire, plaintiff, and William Barneby, Esquire, deforciant, of three mesuages and lands in Perry and Stokeblisse, wherein Barneby covenants to warrant against the heirs of Richard Barneby, Esquire, deceased, his father, and Thomas Barneby, Esquire, deceased, his grandfather. And Edward Pytt gave William Barneby £100. Dated Michaelmas Term, 44 Elizabeth.

118. 1602. Bargain and Sale from William Barneby of Bockleton, Esquire, to Edward Pytt of Curewyrd, Esquire, of the mes-

suage and farm called Wrathes, otherwise Garmesley, otherwise Garmesley, with lands, etc., in Stokeblisse, Perry, and Garmesley in the county of Hereford and Worcester, in the tenure of Roger Cowper, also the messuage or farm called James Pytte's tenement of the Perry, or within the village of the Perry in the said places, Barneby and Amphilis his wife will make further assurances. Signed by Vendor. Witnessed by John Wern, Anthony Nicholas, Richard Greene, Roger Barber, Ric. Wotton, Nich. Charles, Edw. Toller? Dated 1 October, 44 Elizabeth.

Seal of arms.

119. 1602. Lease from Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Roger Pytt, alias Cowper of Stokeblisse, wheelwright, of Wrathes, or Garmesley in Stokeblisse now in his occupation, reserving always all manner of woods with free access thereto, for four score years, if the said Roger, Margaret, his now wife, or his son Richard shall so long live, at the rent of six pounds a year, with a heriot of 40s. at the death of each person dying a tenant of the premises by virtue of this demise, Roger to have howsboote and plowboote, fireboote and heyboote; and not to let the premises to anyone for more than a year, except to Margaret his now wife, during her life, or after her death to Richard his son, or after his death to some other child or children of his, without the consent in writing of Edward Pytt. The lessee is not to break up more than 21 acres of the land for corn at one time, unless for the sowing of hemp or flax. Signed by Roger Pytt with a mark. Witnessed by James Pytt, W. Baldwyne, Francis Hodnett, Fra. Bull. Dated 24 December, 45 Elizabeth.

Seal gone.

120. 1602. Bond from Philip Bigge of Aldington, in the county of Worcester, Esquire; Francis Dingley¹ of Charlton, Esquire, in the same county; and Henry Hunte of the Middle Temple, London, Esquire, to Edward Pytt of Cure wyard, Esquire, in £100 to pay £50 at his Phillisars Office of the said Edward Pytt in the Faulcon Court near St. Dunstan's church in Fleete Streete. Signed by Philip Bigge, Fr. Dingley, and Henry Hunt. Witnessed by William Danes, John Edwards, servant to Richard Wotton, Scrivener. Dated 12 May, 44 Elizabeth, 1602.

¹ Francis Dingley married Edward Pytts' daughter.

121. 1602. Exemplification of a recovery by Richard Greene, gent., and Thomas Astwick, gent., against Edward Pitt, Esquire, of lands in Perrie and Stoke Bliss, 120 acres and 3 messuages, 100 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood, and 6 acres of furze and heath. William Barneby the voucher. Dated 29 December, 45 Elizabeth.

Seal of the Court of Common Pleas (good).

122. 1603. Endorsed, "Mr. Hollwaie's acquittance." Isaak Holloway, Citizen and Merchant tailor of London, have demysed and quit claimed unto Sir Edward Pytt of Kere Wyard, Knight, all demands whatsoever from the beginning of the worlde until the day of the date thereof. Signed by Isak Holloway. Witnessed by Ricardi Greene. Dated 8 February, 1603, 1 James I.

123. 1603. Release in performance of Indentures dated 1 October, 44 Elizabeth¹, from William Barneby of Bockleton, Esquire, to Sir Edward Pytt of Curewyrd, Knight, of all right in the messuage and farm called Wrathe, otherwise Garmesley, otherwise Garmesley, in Stokeblisse, Perry. and Garmesley, in the counties of Hereford and Worcester, in the tenure of Roger Cowper, and in another messuage called the tenement of James Pytt of the Perry, or in the vill of le Perry, and in all other lands in the same places which he or his father Richard Barneby, Esquire deceased, had. Signed by William Barneby. Witnessed by Humfrey Littleton, Edward Pytt, Francis Hodnett, Thomas Barbour. Dated 1 August, 1 James I.

Endorsed, "Delivered to Sir James Pytt to the use of Sir Edward Pytt."

Seal of arms.

124. 1605. Royal Pardon to Edward Pytt.

Rex omnibus ad quos, etc., Salutem. Sciatis quod nos de gratia nostra speciali ac ex certa scientia et mero motu nostro pardonavimus remisimus et relaxavimus ac per presentes pro nobis heredibus et successoribus nostris pardonavimus remisimus et relaxavimus Edwardo Pytt de Curewyrd in comitatu Wigorniae militi,

¹ See No. 118.

etc., being a free pardon for all offences both civil and ecclesiastical "before the 1st of February last past." No date of year.

Seal, a fragment. A Leopard's head, jessant de lys, impaling or quartering, quarterly 1 and 4, a cross between 4 lions rampant; 2 and 3, barry of 6.

125. 1605 (?). James I. To Sir Edward Pytt, Knight, of Cure Wyard. Incomplete document being a general pardon from King James I. which appears never to have been executed. No date or signature.

126. 1605. Ecclesiastical pardon to Sir Edward Pitt, absolving him from an accusation of incontinence with Mary, wife of Thomas Culwick, gentleman. It refers to Royal Letters Patent granting an "indulgence" to the said Sir Edward Pitt. Dated 5 October, 1605.

Seal, broken.

127. 1605. Bond from George Hopton, of Hopton Salop, Armiger, to Sir Edward Pitt, of Curewyrd, Knight, in £2,000 under the Statute Staple. Dated 22 November, 3 James of England, 39 of Scotland.

Three *seals*, one a rose and crown (very good), and two of arms.

128. 1606. Marriage settlement of Brydget, daughter of Sir Edward Pytts, with George Hopton, already married. Anne Hopton of Hopton, in the county of Salop, late wife of Richard Hopton, George Hopton, son and heir of the above, and Richard Crompton Hopton and Martha his wife; and Sir Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard, Knight, Sir James Pytt his son, Thomas Hopton of Hopton, and Thomas Slade of Hopton. In consideration of £1,000, George Hopton settles in trustees the manors of Hopton, Canginford, Cold Weston, Acton Burnell, and Acton Pigott, in the county of Salop, and the advowsons of Stoke Mylborough, otherwise Milberstock, of all of which George Hopton is seized, on the heirs male of himself and his wife. Signed: George Hopton. Witnessed by Sam. Sandys, Rich. Lytler, Rich. Greene, Rich. Wotton.

Seal.

by purchase, etc., he the said Sir Edward Pitt leases to James Lingen and Elizabeth, as well as to Sir James Pytt, Knight, for 80 years . . . all the ground Chaveridge, Croft, etc., from the several stakes as they are now placed to the pale of Cure Park as it now is by the several stakes severed and distinguished from the rest of the three several grounds called Chaveridge Croft grounds and the vallet as before said, conteyning by estimation six acres or thereabouts of wild barren old heathy lands with liberty for Sir James Pitt to fence, pale, etc. . . divide, enclose . . . also the tenement or cottage known by the name of the New House in Chaveridge with garden and orchard . . . also a cottage with garden known by the name of the Croft ground now in the occupation of Elizabeth Beauchamp . . . no persons to sell ale or beere or keep a common tippling house . . . nor kill, destroy or consent to the killing, disturbing or destroying the deer in the park of the said Sir Edward Pytt.

Signed: James Lingen, Elizabeth X Lingen.

134. 1613. Demise by James Lingen of Banwalles, yeoman, and Elizabeth his wife to Sir James Pytt of Cure Wyard, Knight, in consideration of a license made by Sir Edward Pytt for the letting of two messuages known by the names of the New House in Chaveridge and Scotsground (?) of all those several parcels of ground divided by stakes unto Cure Park beginning northward from a corner or nook of the said Cure Park pale southward unto a crooked Birch growing next the said pale of Cure Park adjoining the said leasow called the Vallett, containing about 6 acres of wild barren old heathy and broomy land. Signed: James Lingen, Elizabeth Lingen. Witnessed by Thomas . . . , Francis Wynton, Richd. Evans. Dated 20 January, 1613.

135. 1613. Bond from James Lingen of the Banwalles, yeoman, to Sir James Pytt, Knight, in £20.

Condition, that James Lingen and Elizabeth his now wife shall fulfil the Covenants in an indenture bearing this date. Dated 12 January, 1613.

136. 1618. Exchange between Sir James Pytt of Kyer Wyard, Knight, and Robert Ovington of Kyer Wyard, clerk, being a lease of 50 years from Pytt to the latter, of all that parcel of meadow

containing 1 acre or thereabouts, and a parcel of arable land adjoining Frogg meadow called Lady Hill, containing about two acres, all being in the parish of Kyer Wyard and abutting towards Cony Greve pale on the west, Sir James Pytt's Frogg meadow on the east, Northfield on the north, and a little brook on the south part; also one other parcel of ground containing about an acre known as Kyer Wyard Churchyard, another parcel being four short butts containing about one rood lying at the upper end of the church field next to the gate that leads towards Leominster; also a parcel of meadow called Mill Meadowe, containing about an acre, and abutting on Kyer Brook on the east, Mill meadow towards the west, Edward Burroll's land on the south, and on a part of Mill meadow near the footpath leading into Kyer Park on the north, for the rent of one peppercorn. Signed: Robert Ovington. Witnessed by John X Sheffield and Richard Kirby. Dated 21 March, 15 James I.

139. 1619. Decree of Court of Wards and Liveries. Touching an Inquisition after the death of Sir Edward Pitt concerning which great strife had arisen between Sir James his son and heir and Sir Thomas Cornewall, Knight, in respect of the tenure of the Manor of Kyre.

Cornwall alleged the Manor to be holden of him as of his Barony of Burford by a moiety of a Knight's Fee.

Sir James alleged it was held of the King by Grand Serjeanty.

It was decided after hearing Counsel on both sides that another inquisition should be taken finding the tenure to be as alleged by Sir James Pitt, and decree accordingly.

Signed: Sir Lionel Cranfield, as master of the court.

140. 1619. Decree made in the Court of Wards and Liveries dated Hilary term 16 James (1619) reciting an office found in the County of Hereford after the death of Sir Edward Pitt, Knight, which sets forth that great strife had arisen between Sir James Pitt, Knight, son and heir of Sir Edward and Sir Thomas Cornewall¹,

¹ Sir Thomas was known as the "Great Baron" of Burford. He was Knighted at the Charterhouse, 11 May, 1603, and buried 12 January, 1636. He married Anne, daughter of Sir Gilbert Lyttelton of Frankley. See *Genealogist*, 1st S., III. 228, and IV. 27.

Knight, concerning the tenure of the Manor of Kyre, and lands in Kyre in the county of Worcester, Sir Thomas alleging that it was holden of him as of his Barony of Burford by Knight's service, that is to say, by the moiety of a Knight's fee said manor of Kyre and lands in Kyre are holden of the King by Grand Sergeanty, and thereupon debated by the counsell learned in the law on both sides; that this last term of St. Michael a commission was awarded for finding another office after the death of the said Sir Edward Pitt in the county of Worcester, which by reason of some omission could not be executed; that afterwards on 29 January last past in this instant Hillary term counsel on both sides were heard again in open court for rectifying the matter in dispute as to the tenure of the Manor of Kyre; that because Sir James Pitt in open court offered to confess a tenure of the said Manor to be holden of His Majesty by Grand Sergeanty, it was then ordered that directions should be given that the jury should find the tenure of the same accordingly, and that no evidence to the contrary should be given by Sir Thomas Cornewall or any other; that after the office found the parties grieved might take their remedy according to law as their counsel should advise; and further that the office already found after the death of Sir Edward Pitt in the county of Hereford should be filed in the Petty Bag as was desired. And 5 February next ensuing upon the motion of Sir James Pitt's counsel it was ordered by this Court that the Jury impanelled should find the office in the County of Worcester, after the death of Sir Edward Pitt as to the Manor of Kyre and the lands in Kyre in the said county as above. In regard of both of which said orders it is thus this present term of Hillary, 16 James, ordered and decreed as above. And if the jury refuse to find such a verdict the commissioners shall refuse to accept their verdict and bind them over to appear at the bar of this Court in Easter term next to abide such further direction as the justices shall appertain.

Which decree was obtained at the special instance of Sir James Pitt, Knight, under the seal of the Court of Wards and Liveries. Witnessed by Lionell Cranfeild, Knight, Master of the Court, 18 February, 16 James I. Extracted by Henry Awdeley. Signed by Lionell Cranfeilde.

141. 1625. Fine between John Parsons, gentleman, plaintiff, and Hugh Berkeley and Anne his wife deforciant of 4 messuages, 1 mill, 4 gardens, 4 orchards, 100 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood and common of pasture for all cattle in Parva Kyre. Fine £120. In crastino animarum, 22 James I.

Two parchments.

142. 1625. Lease from Edward Broade of Drucklin¹ (Dunclent) park in the parish of Stone in the county of Worcester, Esquire, to Philip Awbry of Stockton in the said county, gent., of the Manor House of Stoke Bliss, dove houses, barns, etc., and 120 acres of land, woods, and waste common (after the decease of Frances Turville, wife of Richard Turville, of Stoke Bliss, yeoman) for fourscore and nineteen years. Rent, one red rose yearly. Signed: Edward Broade. Witnessed by Ed. Mitton, Walter James, Walter Kinge (?). Dated 7 June, 1 Charles I.

143. 1628. Lease from Sir James Pytts to Eleanor, wife of Robert Ovington of Kyre Wyard, clerk, of the farm called Hill Place in the parish of Kyre Wyard with all houses, outhouses, dovecots, etc.; also those 2 meadows known by the names of West Leighe and Wyntor's field situate in Sutton Sturmy in the parish of Tenbury heretofore in the occupation of William Prothero, yeoman, and Mary his wife by virtue of a demise by Sir Thomas Lucy, Knight, for £65 and a rent of £4 yearly. Signed: James Pytt. Witnessed by Edward Pytt, James Pytt, Robert Ovington, Will. Garnous, John Sheffield, Richard Amyss. Dated 14 January, 3 Charles I.

144. 1631. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Kier Wyard to Roger Oseland of the Banwalls, Isabel Oseland his wife and John Oseland their son, of the Banwalls, excepting the New House in which John Howes now lives, and the house in which Richard Butcher lives, which two tenements were in the occupation of James Lingen deceased. Dated 20 March, 1631.

145. 1633. Lease for three lives from Edward Pitt of Kire Wyard, Esquire, to John Cocks of Stoake Bliss, yeoman, Elinor his wife, and John Cocks the younger, of the cottage house and tene-

ment known as Sweet Greene for £6 paid by John Cocks and 26s. 8d. a year in consideration of the surrender of a lease dated 30 August, 22 James (1625). Signed: Edward Pytt. Witnessed by Richard Pitt, John Winton, B. X Bufton. Dated 4 October, 9 Charles I.

146. 1636. Final concord between William Childe, Esquire, and Richard Powell plaintiffs, and Richard Amias and Alice his wife deforciant, of 1 messuage 1 garden, 40 acres of land, 14 acres of meadow, 40 of pasture, 4 of wood, and 4 of furze and heath in Kyre Wyard. Fine £100. Dated fifteen days after Easter.

147. 1637. Decree of the Court of Wards in a suit by Aubrey de Vere, Earl of Oxford, a ward of the King against Sir James Pitt, Dame Mary his wife, and Edward Pitt, Esquire, to bring them to account for divers sums of money due to Sir John Vere deceased, whose administratrix is Beatrix Countess of Oxford, including monies received from Monsieur Forterian, merchant. Paper annexed. Signed: Beatrix Oxonford. Witnessed by James Pitt, Richard Nicholetts, Fab. Phillips, Thomas Bearcroft, Ambrose Rudge¹.

148. 1638. Lease from Edward Reade of Mitton in the county of Worcester, Esquire, to William Taylor, Elizabeth his wife, and Lucy their daughter, of the tenement, house, garden, hempridge, etc., known by the name of Russell's Hill in the parish of Stoke Bliss, now in their occupation, containing about 2 acres. Signed: Edward Read. Witnessed by George Freeford, Tho. Wood, Willm. Samson, Tho. Dowmill. Dated 2 April, 14 Charles I.

On the back is written in the handwriting of Edward Pytts "it is my desire that John Guillim should occupy Russell's Hill, about 6 acres."

¹ In a square parchment-covered book at Kyre is an account in the handwriting of Sir James Pytts of "What I owe my sonne Vere by bound at Midsummer, 1627." But he had paid on his account, including £20 "to my daughter Vere herself," £8 more than he had received, the total of his payments being £168 14s. 10d. Many large sums were paid to a Mr. Phillips, and among the items is one of 4s. for "mending the

Moate head at Netherwood." The accounts continue till 23 October, 1630; and the last entry is a payment of rent for Netherwood by Mr. Watkins on that date. But at that moment no doubt Sir John was already dead. His will was dated August 13, 1630; and when it was proved on 11 November in that year, Mary, his only child, was dead also. In these accounts there is no mention of Monsieur Forterian.

149. 1640. Fine between Edward Pytt, Esquire, Plaintiff, and Richard Amias, Senior, deforciant, of 1 messuage, 1 garden, 40 acres of land, 14 of meadow, 40 of pasture, 4 of wood and 4 of furze and heath in Kyre Wyard. Fine £100. Dated 15 days after Easter, 16 Charles I.

150. 1640. Recovery by James Pytt, gentleman, against Edward Pitt, Esquire, of 1 messuage, 1 garden, 40 acres of land, 14 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture, 4 acres of wood, and 4 acres of furze and heath in Kyer Wyatt, otherwise Kyar Wyard. Dated 28 November, 16 Charles I.

Record Office Roll 75, Michaelmas Term.

Seal of Common Pleas, broken.

151. 1640. Sale by Edward Reed of Tobenhill in the County of Gloucester, Esquire, to Richard Roche citizen and merchant tailor of London, of all the land in Stoke Bliss which he lately bought of Thomas Baskervill of Netherwood. Dated 6 October, 16 Charles I.

152. 1642. Grant from Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard to Richard Parker, D.D., and Thomas Stanley of Alderley in the county of Chester, in consideration of the marriage of Edward and Elizabeth his wife of the manor of Kyer Wyard to Richard Parker and Thomas Stanley together with the Pyrrie and certain messuages in Butterley, as trustees for his wife. Dated 11 February, 16 Charles I.

153. 1644. Bond from George Blount of Sodington, co. Worcester, Esquire, to Edward Pitt of Kierewyard, co. Worcester, Esquire, in £500, the condition being that Blount shall perform all covenants in "one pair of articles" of this date. Signed by Blount. Witnessed by John Rocke, senior, Mathias Jordan, Randle Wight, Rowland Reade. Dated 12 January, 20 Charles I.

Seal broken.

154. 1649. Whereas Edward Pitt leased to Roger Angell the elder, 23 Charles I., the tenement called the Poole in Stoke Bliss

together with messuages leased in 1608 by Edward Pitt deceased, Knight, to one John Downes, also deceased, for the term of 60 years from thence next ensuing with divers other covenants contained if Jane Angell now wife unto Roger and John son of Roger by a former wife, and Roger his son by the said Jane so long live. Rent 20s. a year and a couple of capons, and at the decease of Jane, John, and Roger the best beast. Roger the elder for the great affection that he bears his children gives up absolutely his interest in the term of years yet to run and unexpired. Signed: Roger X Angell. Witnessed by George Yeomans, Robert Davie. Dated 24 May, 1649.

155. 1649. Whereas Thomas Baskervill late of Netherwood in 1618 demised to George Carver of London, gent., for 99 years under the yearly rent of one peppercorn all that meadow called Prioress Meadow with appurtenances in Little Kyre in Stoke Bliss and also all manner of Tenths and Tithes of Corn and Grain arising and coming at the Hide in the said parish with their appurtenances which were in the possession of the said John Karver his under-tenants or assigns . . in 1622 John Karver did assign and sell the lease to Roger Doughtie the said meadow and tenths. . . . Now the estate of Roger Doughtie is vested in Edward Smyth of the Hide, gent., and Margerie his wife, late the wife of Roger Doughtie deceased, whose executrix she is by will of Roger Edward Smyth for considerations makes over the meadow tythes and tenths to Thomas Smyth his heirs and executors and his lease of 99 years. Signed: Ed. Smith, Margerie X Smith. Witnessed by Roger X Holloway, Thomas Smith, Thomas Hide. Dated 19 May, 1649.

156. 1649. Indenture between Thomas Smyth of opp, county of Hereford, and William Smith of Stoke Bliss, yeoman, touching Prioress Meadow in Little Kyre, previously let to George Carver of London, gent., by Thomas Baskervill late of Netherwood. Deed partly effaced. Signed: Thomas Smith. Imperfect. Dated 9 June, 1649.

157. 1650. Lease from Pytts to Edward Wike, Katherine his wife, and Edward their son, of the tenement which Wike now

inhabits for £40 and a yearly rent of £20. Signed: Edward X Wike, Katherine X Wike. Witnessed by Ed. Russell Clerke, John Jennings, George Yeomans. Dated 17 April, 1650.

158. 1651. Fine between Matthew Pitt, gentleman, plaintiff, and Thomas Baskerville, Esquire, and Anne his wife deforciant, of 2 messuages, 1 water corn mill, 2 gardens, 3 orchards, 60 acres of land, 80 acres of meadow, 30 acres of pasture, and 2 acres of wood in Little Kier, and 8 acres of land, 1 of meadow, 6 of pasture in Stoke Bliss. Dated within three weeks of St. Michael, 1651.

Two similar deeds.

159. 1651. Grant from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Sheffield of Kyer Wyard, yeoman, in consideration of an exchange of certain lands mentioned in a feoffment and for certain other valuable considerations for himself and his heirs, a piece of land containing 3 parts of an acre situate in a field called the middle field abutting on the east upon Pytts land in the same field now occupied by Owen Feysie on the west upon land of Roger Angell on the south lying by Whitbache hedge . . . and on the north upon land of the said John Sheffield. . . . One other ridge, one eighth of an acre lying in the said middle field betwixt the land of John Sheffield and the wainway that leadeth from the Parsonage House of Kyer into Beckall field on the east, partly upon Beckall Field gate on the south, and on the glebe land on the north-west. . . . One other piece, one-twentieth part of an acre, lying in Beckall field abutting on a small piece of Hop ground of Sheffield's towards the north, partly by a meadow of one Charles Lufton on the south, and upon the wainway that leads out of Beckall field into Middle field on the west. One other butt of land situate in the north field, one eighteenth part of an acre abutting on land of the said Sheffield on the west, on land of Pytts in the same field on the east and south, and by land exchanged between Pytts and Sheffield on the north east. Signed: Edward Pitt. Witnessed by Anthony Baynham, John Sefton, George Yeomans.

Endorsed: Livery and seisin and quiet possession was executed by the within mentioned Edward Pytts to John Sheffield by virtue of one Turfe of Earth cut out and upon the parcel

of land lying under Whitbatch hedge, being parcel of the within bargained premises in the name of the whole within mentioned, in the sight and presence of us, Anthony Baynham, George Yeomans. Dated 31 January, 1651.

160. 1651. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Richard Sheffield of Kyre Wyard, yeoman, and Joane his wife for divers considerations, of the messuage or tenement known by the name of Portans in the parish of Kyer Wyard and now in the occupation of Richard Sheffield and Joane his wife ; also the messuage wherein John Wyton deceased lately inhabited in the parishes of Kyre and Bockleton ; also 12 acres of pasture ground lately enclosed out of a field called Beckhall Field belonging to the manor of Kyre Court situate in the parish of Kyre, for the term of the lives of Richard and Joane and one more to be chosen by them, at a yearly rent of £2.

Signed : Richard Sheffield, Joane X Sheffield. Witnessed by Eliza. Pitt, George Yeomans, John Sefton. Dated 4 November, 1651.

161. 1652. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Pytt alias Cowper of the parish of Stoke Bliss, yeoman, of the farm called Wrathes or Garmesley in Stoke Bliss lately in the possession of Richard Pytt alias Cooper, deceased, grandfather to John Pytt alias Cooper. Signed : John Pitt. Witnessed by Richard Lane, Anthony Baynham, John Sefton, George Yeomans. Dated 31 October, 1652.

162. 1652. Lease from Edward Pitts, Esquire, of Kyer Wyarde to Nicholas Morris, alias Griffiths, and Margaret his wife. Signed : Nicholas Morris, Marg. Morris. Witnessed by George Cownley, Geo. Yeomans, Richard Lewes.

163. 1652. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyre Wyard, Esquire, to William Bufton of Kyre Wyard, husbandman, Alice his wife, and Robert their grandchild of the tenement in which he now lives for the sum of £8 and a rent of 40s. a year, with suit and service at the Court Baron of the said Edward Pytts as often as the same

172. 1657. Indenture between Edward Smyth of Newnham, gent., and Edward Russell of Stoke Bliss, clerk. Thomas Baskervill of Netherwood in 1618 let the tithes of Hyde to George Carver of London for 99 years. Signed: Edward X Smith. Dated 10 July, 1657.

Deed much effaced.

Endorsed, "a claim to the Tythes of the Hyde."

173. 1658. Lease from Pytts to Roger Yeomans, Alice his wife and Roger their son, of the Over House. Witnessed by George Boyland, James Walkins, James Smyth and Richard Evans.

174. 1659. Demise from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Thomas Hill of the Perry, yeoman, of the Perry for £50 a year. Special mention of the hop yards. Witnessed by James Pytts, Tho. Evans. Dated 11 June, 1659.

175. 1665. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Angell, Margery his wife, and one other person, of a mesuage, 2 yards of land, a meadow called Westcroft, 7 acres lying between 2 highways leading to Beckall field and Kyre Common together with all barns, etc., in the parish of Kyre Wyard now in the tenure of the said John Angell, for £20. Signed: John Angell. Witnessed by William Hopkins, Sam. Evans, Phil. Barrow. Dated 18 September, 1679.

176. 1669. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Thomas Pytts alias Cooper the younger, son and heir apparent of John Pytts alias Cooper the elder of Stoke Bliss, yeoman, of the Wrathes or Garmesley in Stoke Bliss for 99 years after the decease of John Pytt the elder and Jane his wife, if Thomas Pytt junior shall so long live, for a rent of £6 and 1 lb. of pepper yearly, and 40s. on the fall of the life. Signed: Thomas Pitt. Witnessed by Geo. Hereford, Hen. Davies, Tho. Evans. Dated 9 June, 21 Charles II.

177. 1669. Lease from Edward Pitts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Edward Lane of Kyer Wyard, timberman, and Jane his wife

182. 1673. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Matthews of the Hide, yeoman, Alice his wife, and John their son, of the messuage and tenement known as the Poole for £240. Dated 11 October, 25 Charles II.

183. 1674. James Pytts of Kyre and John Smith.
Lease of the Brick House.

184. 1674. Lease from James Pytts of Kear Wyard to Owen Price of Graphne in the parish of Bockleton, yeoman, Elioner his wife and Elioner her daughter of a tenement situated in Graphne aforesaid for their three lives, for £24 and £3 a year. All the lessees signed with marks. Dated 16 April, 1674.

185. 1675. Richard Holloway's lease. James Pytts of Kyer Wyard leases the land called Wilkins Close in Stoke Bliss to Richard Holloway for £1 10s. a year. Dated 4 February, 27 Charles II.

186. 1675. Lease from James Pytts of Keir, Esquire, to Richard Blumorris alias Butcher of Sutton Sturmy, labourer, of a certain field called the North field in the parish of Keir, abutting on the east on the road from Tenbury to Bromyard, and on the west upon the Glebe land lying between the land of James Pytts in the possession of Humphrey Winton, and also one other acre lying between lands of James Pytts, for £5 and a yearly rent of 2s. 6d., to be held for the lives of Richard, his now wife Anne, and Richard their son. Signed: Rich. Butcher. Witnessed by Joh. Bolton, Rob. Lane. Dated 1 February, 1675.

Seal: the crest of Pytts.

187. 1679. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Robert Bufton of Kyer, tailor, and Anne his wife for 99 years of the cottage situate in Kyre which he occupies, the lease granted by Edward Pytts to his father William Bufton being yet unexpired, for £24 and a yearly rent of 40s. Witnessed by Job Cowper, Phil. Barton.

194. 1690. Undated and unexecuted deed. John Barneby of Weston in the parish of Bockleton, and Martha one of his daughters of the first part ; Samuel Sandys of Ombersley, James Bridgeman of London, Esquire, and Robert Dobbins of Hereford of the second part ; and Henry Townshend of Worcester and Samuel Pytts of Ombersley executor of the will of James Pytts of Kyar Wyar deceased.

Sir John Barneby now of Canon Pyon by the name of John Barneby of the Hull or Hill in the parish of Bockleton, let by indenture bearing date 28 June, 16 Charles II., tenements called Shepheard's Meese in Weston and Walcroft's Meese in Newtowne, both in Bockleton, also two pastures called Upper and Nether Norsuch, Newtown meadow, the New Tindinge in Cleaton field, Shepcote meadow, lands in Rowmerfield and others, with their appurtenances, to John Barneby of Weston and his assignes, to hold to the said John Barneby of Weston, Mary his then wife, and Martha their daughter for their natural lives by a rent of £3 a year, with heriots. Space left for day and month. 1690 given as date of year. Unexecuted. Long deed.

195. 1691. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Philip Barton of Kyre, Elizabeth his wife, and Elizabeth their daughter, of the New House in Kyre Parish, at a rent of £4 yearly. Dated 12 March, 1691.

196. 1691. Lease from Thomas Oseland of Hope Bagot, shoemaker, to Edward Linssey of the Downe, in the county of Salop, for £120 of the tenement now in the possession of John Purslowe, situated in Sutton Sturmy, in the parish of Tenbury, for 500 years at a rent of one peppercorn. Signed : Edward Hussey (though Linssey is very clear in the deed). Dated 1 May, 3 William and Mary.

197. 1695. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyre Wyard to Thomas Pytt alias Cooper of Stoke Bliss, yeoman, Jane his mother and Jane Pytt the younger his wife, in consideration of the surrender by John Pytt alias Cooper, father of the said Thomas, of a lease of Wrathes or Garmesley, dated 19 August, 1654, granted by the said Edward Pytts to the said John Pytts of the said premises,

of Wrathes or Garmesley, for 99 years or the life of the longest liver for £6 a year and a pound of pepper at Christmas. Signed: Thomas Pitt; the two Janes made marks. Dated 24 June. 1695.

198. 1696. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyerwyard to Job Pytts alias Cooper of Kyre, yeoman, of two cottages and gardens and pasture called Wooley in the parish of Kyre, adjoining the common, also meadow pasture, arable lands and hop grounds called Bagnals, for 99 years for 3 lives for £12 and £11 10s. yearly, with 60 couple of rabbits yearly during the life of Job Pytts. Dated 24 June, 8 William and Mary.

Endorsed, In consideration of £38 expended by Edmund Pytts, Esquire, in the building an addition to the cottage and adding a stable, I, Job Pytts alias Cooper, agrees (*sic*) to pay £1 10s. 0d. yearly. Signed: Martha Pitt alias Cooper, Job Pitt alias Cooper. Date of endorsement, 1730.

199. 1700. Lease from Samuel Pytts, Esquire, to Thomas Pitt alias Cooper, junior, of a messuage called Wrathes alias Garmesley in the parish of Stoake Bliss for 99 years after the demise of Thomas Pitt alias Cooper the elder, if the said Thomas Pitt alias Cooper, junior, so long live, at £6 per annum payable half-yearly, 1 lb. of pepper yearly, and 40s. on the fall of each life. Witnessed by Elizabeth Rushout, Tho: Evans. Dated 25 May, 12 William III.

200. 1700. Lease from Samuel Pytts to John and Susanna Bevan of a messuage called Russell's Hill in the parish of Stoak Blisse containing 6 acres, and 5 ridges of Land called Blake-well containing 1 acre nigh the said premises, for 99 years at 20s. per annum payable half-yearly. Signed with the marks of John and Susanna Bevan. Sealed and delivered in the presence of John Lane, Jane Lane. Dated 17 August, 12 William III.

201. 1700. Lease from Samuel Pytts to Samuel Mosse, son of Edward Mosse of Stoke-Bliss of Sweet Greene in the Parish of Stoke Bliss, after the lives of Hinton and his wife, for £1 10s. 0½d. yearly and a couple of capons yearly. The marke of Samuel X Mosse. Sealed and delivered in the presence of Isaac Roe, John Lane. Dated March 7, 13 William III.

202. 1700. Lease for three lives from Samuel Pytts, Esq^r, and Katharine his wife, to Philip Barton the Elder of Kyre, Elizabeth his wife, and Philip their son, of a Messuage called the Pyrry in the Parish of Stoake Bliss, lately in the possession of Thomas Hill, at £25 per annum payable half yearly, the timber, oaks, beech trees or young saplings being reserved, with liberty to cut down, cord, coale and carry away the same. The hay, straw, fodder and compost raised to be employed upon the premises, except that grown upon 9 acres of arable land, three by three in due course. The Great Meadow or "Dungeon" Meadow not to be broken up into Hop-grounds, nor a greater quantity of Hop-grounds to be in husbandry than at date of agreement. Liberty to the Bartons to take necessary "houseboote, hedgeboote, ploughboote, fireboote, waineboote, waggonboote, hoppoles," and sufficient wood for charcoal for drying hops. Signed: Samuel Pytts, Kath: Pytts. Witnessed by Susan Tolly, Olive Willmott, John Lane. Dated 21 December, 12 William III.

203. 1702. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyer Wyard to Thomas Pitt alias Cooper of Bockleton and others of a tenement and 16 acres in the parish of Kyer Wyard. Dated 3 August, 1 Anne.

204. 1702. Lease from Samuel Pytts, Esquire, to Thomas Matthewes of the Poole in the parish of Stoke Bliss for 99 years after the death of John Matthews, senior, Alice his wife, and John their son, at a rent of £1 6s. 8d. half yearly with one couple of capons and one couple of hens yearly and the best beast on the fall of each life. Dated 26 November, 1 Anne.

205. 1702. Lease from Samuel Pytts to Samuel Haycock of a messuage and meadow called Hipperclosse in Stoke Bliss at £3 per annum paid half yearly. Witnessed by James Lingen, Thomas Oseland, John Lane. Dated 5 October, 1 Anne.

206. 1702. Lease from Samuel Pytts to William Oseland for three lives of the Banwalls, a close of land named Flints with a cottage in the said close situate in Little Kyre, a piece of ground called the paddock containing 40 acres, and a piece of ground in Mill Meadow containing 6 acres, for £20, to be paid half yearly.

It is agreed that Oseland may not plow up, stock, dig down, or deface the walk called "my lady's walk," being part of the paddock. Dated 10 February, 1 Anne.

207. 1703. Sale by Thomas Lemme of his tenement on Kyre Common to Samuel Pytts of Kyre Wyard. Dated 6 April, 1703.

208. 1703. Lease from Samuel Pytts to John Jones of Hanley of a tenement in the upper end of Kyre Common. Dated 12 July, 2 Anne.

209. 1703. Lease from Samuel Pytts, Esquire, of Kyre Wyard to James Pitt of Bockleton of Little Bagnall in the parish of Bockleton containing 3 acres, for £24 and 2s. 6d. a year. Signed: Samuel Pytts. Dated 13 May, 2 Anne.

210. 1703. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyre Wyard to Susanna Walker of Stoke Bliss of land in Edwyn Ralph; fine £45.

211. 1703. Lease from William Bromley of Holt Castle and Henry Jeffreys of Home Castle to William Sheffield of Kyer Wyard and Margaret his wife, and William their son, of the messuage and tenement called the Portans in the parish of Kyre Wyard, and also land in the parishes of Kyre and Bockleton on Kyre Common now occupied by the said William and Margaret for the lease of 99 years at a rent of £5 a year payable half yearly, 2 capons at Christmas, and £3 on the fall of each life. Signed Willm. Sheffield, Margaret Sheffield. Dated 4 June, 1703.

212. 1703. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyer Wyard to Roger Oseland of Bromyard of the New House in Little Kyre now in the occupation of Edward Jones and also the cottage in Little Kyre now in the possession of Edward Kendrick for £18, and 10s. on the 20th day of June and the 20th day of December. Signed: Samuel Pytts. Witnessed by Jo. Jenings, J. Woodyatt, John Lane.

Seal, the crest of Pytts.

213. 1704. Bond for £1,000 from John Asteley to Thomas Wilde. Witnessed by James Rushout, Danvers Hodges.

214. 1704. Grant from Samuel Pytts of Kyre to Susan Jolly of Kyre Wyard, in consideration of £200 of an annuity of £20 secured on the Bannells now in the possession of William Oseland as under tenant. Dated 15 June, 1704.

215. 1704. Fine in which Samuel Pytts, Esquire, was the plaintiff and Roger Oseland and Margaret his wife deforciant, of 1 messuage, 1 cottage, 2 gardens, 2 orchards, 50 acres of land, 6 acres of meadow, 50 of pasture and common of pasture of all cattle in Little Kyer. Dated 15 days after Hilary, 2 Anne.

216. 1705. Sale from James Lingen of Little Kyer in the parish of Stokeblisse and Mary his wife to Timothy Colly of Norton Bromyard, in consideration of 5s., of that capital messuage known by the name of the Hull, and a messuage called the Heath, heretofore in the possession of Thomas King; also another messuage with 40 acres of land thereto adjoining called the Corner, heretofore in the possession of Richard Amory and W. Taylor.

217. 1705. Lease from Samuel Pytts to Henry Maw of Edwins Batch, The Garland, The Heathes, and Black Fenne and 15 acres for three lives for £4 per annum, 1 couple of capons and the best beast on the fall of each life.

218. 1706. Lease from Samuel Pitts to John Fidoe of a cottage in Little Kyre for 3 lives for £15 and £1 15s. 0d. per annum. Dated 10 September, 5 Anne.

219. 1706. Lease from William Bromley of Holt Castle and Samuel Jeffreys of Home Castle to Edward Lane, Mary his wife, and Edward their son, of the Pigeon House in the parish of Kyre Wyard for 3 lives at £4 per annum and 40s. on the fall of each life. Dated 7 November, 1706.

220. 1707. Fine in which Samuel Pytts, Esquire, was plaintiff and Richard Waldron and Joan his wife and Richard Waldron junior deforciant, of 1 messuage, 1 garden, 2 orchards, 3 acres of lupulatum, 30 acres of land, 10 acres of Meadow, 40 of pasture, 4 of wood and 20 of furze and heath in Little Kyre.

221. 1711. Lease from Samuel Pytts to John Tombs of Dueston in the parish of Pencombe of Lower Horton.

222. 1713. Lease from Samuel Pytts to James Lingen of Little Kyre of the farm known by the name of the Hull which Samuel Pytts has lately bought from James Lingen for the lives of James and his wife Mary Lingen for £400 and £5 a year. Dated 31 October, 1713.

223. 1714. Lease from Samuel Pytts to Richard Mence of the parish of Powick of a farm called the Bank in the parish of Kyre Wyard for 99 years after the decease of Thomas Hide and Elizabeth Collier at £11 os. 0d. Dated 4 February, 1714.

224. 1721. Lease from Samuel Pytts to Edward Russell of a messuage called the Farme in Stoke Bliss for 21 years for £28 paid half-yearly. Dated 16 September, 1721.

225. 1731. Release of Trust from Samuel Pytts to Sir Edward Blount. Witnessed by Richard Baldwin, Joseph Cox, Tho. Middleton. Dated 24 March, 1721.

226. 1740. Exemplification of an entry in the Registry of the Archbishop of Canterbury dated 27 Sept., 1729, being a power of Administration of the goods of Samuel Pytts of Kyre Wyard deceased, granted to his son Edmund Pytts armiger, the right honorable the Lady Catherine, countess dowager of Bellamont in Ireland, widow of the deceased, first renouncing. Dated 7 June, 1740.

Seal gone.

CHARTERS RELATING TO EASTHAM, LINDRIDGE, KNIGHTON, AND HANLEY CHILD.

227. 1478. Copy of Roll of Court held at Newenham, 20 October, 18 Edward IV., whereat the lord granted to William Bury the reversion of one messuage and half a virgate of land called Osbarnes, and other parcels, now held by his father, James Bury. In the time of Nicholas Hambury, cellarer.

228. 1506. Copy of Roll of Court held at Newenham, 20 April, 21 Henry VIII., at which the lord granted to Richard Burye the reversion of a messuage and half a virgate of land called Osbarnes, etc. Platepyke a locality mentioned. Persons mentioned: Thomas Nash, William Bury, father of Richard. Fine, 10s. Rent, 11s. 2d., after the death of his father. Heriot, 10s. In the time of Thomas Stafford, cellarer.

229. 1515. Copy of Roll of Court held at Newenham, 2 October, 7 Henry VIII., at which Richard Bury and Agnes his wife and John their son took of the lord one messuage and half a virgate of land called Osbarnes, etc. Localities mentioned: Platepyke, Kytelleiton, Mylle Medowe, Byre furlong's hede, Byre furlong's syde, Bodeswall, Westfylde, a furlong at Sclatter's wall. Persons mentioned: John Nasche, William Bury, father of the said Richard, John Lorne, Thomas Nasche. Rent, 20s. 2d. Fine, 6s. 8d. In the time of William More, cellarer, of Worcester.

230. 1515. Copy of Roll of Court held at Newenham, 2 October, 7 Henry VIII., at which Richard Burry and Agnes his wife and John their son took of the lord one pasture of the demesne lands there called Calverham, Oxlesowe, and le Rynge, with a moiety of the water from Calverham to Esteham Asche, with several other parcels. Localities mentioned: Marelpytte, Lyttell Felde, Oldehale, Buryfurlonge, le Lake, Deane furlongs, Berefurlong, Bury lane yend, Boddesswalle lane, Botelow. Also all tithe

236. 1533. Lease from Richard Cornewall of Burford, Esquire, son and heir apparent of Sir Thomas Cornwall, to Agnes Bury of Newnam, co. Worcester, widow, and John Bury, her son, of his part of a meadow called Calram for 16 years. Rent a red rose at Midsummer if it be asked, in consideration that Richard Bury, deceased husband of the said Agnes, had paid six years' rent; and for the remaining 10 years, lessees to pay 10 marks at the sealing hereof. If lessor pay 7 marks at the end of 9 years he may re-enter. Dated 20 October, 25 Henry VIII.

Seal, a bird and R.C.

237. 1533. Bond from Richard Cornwall of Burford, son and heir apparent of Thomas Cornwall, Knight, to John Bury in £10, the condition being that John Bury and Agnes Bury, widow, his mother, shall peaceably possess part of a pasture called Calram, co. Worcester, which they have by lease of this said Edward. Dated 20 October, 25 Henry VIII.

238. 1546. Release from Thomas Lye, chaplain, to John Berry of Newnam in the parish of Knyghton, co. Worcester, husbandman, of all his right in a certain messuage and lands called Barretts in the parish of Burford, co. Salop, and of lands called Dynthyll and Hockefelde in the same parish, and of lands in Knyghton, co. Worcester, which he had by the gift of Thomas Waynewrytt late of Little Witley, co. Worcester, gentleman, deceased, by charters dated 30 July, 21 Henry VIII. (1529), and 20 July in the same year. Dated 18 May, 38 Henry VIII. Signed and sealed.

239. 1546. Bargain and sale from Thomas Lye, chaplain, to John Berry of Newnam in the parish of Knyghton, co. Worcester, husbandman, of all the part he has in 20 acres of arable land in Knyghton by the gift of Thomas Waynewrytt of Little Wytley, co. Worcester, deceased, late in the tenure of William Hyle; and of one messuage and lands called Barretts in the parish of Burford, co. Salop, late in the tenure of John Moseley; and of pasture and wood called Dynthyll and Hokefyld in the parish of Burford late in the tenure of William Hyle. Dated 14 May, 38 Henry VIII. Signed by vendor.

Seal.

240. 1550. Conveyance from John Hopton and William Phylipps, gentleman, to John Bury of Knighton of land in Knighton lately belonging to the chantrey or service of St. Mary in the church of Knighton and given for the support of a priest, except two parcels of meadow, one abutting on the Ferme Place and extending along Hawford's lane, and the other called Tynne Meadow abutting upon Thorn Slade and extending upon Long Meadow, which lands they acquired from John Bellowe and William Fuller, gentlemen, who acquired them the same year by patent from Edward VI. Bury to hold of the King by socage. Signed and sealed by Hopton and Phillips, 20 November, 4 Edward VI.

241. 1554. Grant from William Burrye of Little Hereford, co. Hereford, to John Burrye of Knighton, co. Worcester, of one acre of land in Kawneys feilde on Verushyll, between the lands of John Commar, John Burrye, Richard Hyll and Thomas Symons. Grantor appoints Thomas Mound of Newnam, yeoman, his attorney to deliver seisin. Witnessed by Sir William Mappe, clerk, William Haynes, John Bufton, Thomas Blackbach, Thomas Hollonde. Dated 15 July, 2 Mary.

Memorandum by Thomas Mond of delivery of seisin. Witnessed by Thomas Bodnam, John Perkes, Richard Byssshop, John Mond of Byckley.

242. 1556. Copy of Roll of Court held at Newnam 9 June, 2 and 3 Philip and Mary, being the admittance of John Bury, Alice his wife, and John Bury their son, to a tenth of all grain of an enclosure next Calverham, and between the highway and Teame, and certain butts of land called le Harpe in Newnam and Knyghton. Signed by Philip Haford, "Dean there." Edward Brogden, Deputy Steward.

243. 1564. Exemplification of a fine being an entail, levied Easter Term, 6 Elizabeth (1564), between Thomas Walwyn, Thomas Conyngesbye, and William Bayllyes, plaintiffs, and Thomas Hackluytt, armiger, and Fortune his wife, deforcians, of the manors of Eton Gamage, Burghill, and Pykesley, lands and £20 of rent in Stoke Wyckton, Burghill, Lempster, Stretford, Henorfolde, Mydleton, Hamnash, Pencombe, Ivington, and Pykesley,

250. 1572. Bargain and sale from John Hyll of Knighton, co. Worcester, yeoman, to John Byrrie of Newnam in the parish of Knighton of one close or parcel of arable land called Church furlonge containing 5 acres, in the parish of Knighton on the south side of the church of Knighton and adjacent to the churchyard, with four acres of arable land called Monmedowe helde, under Whadon Hill in the said parish between the lands of Richard Hyll, Isabella Perkes, and Thomas Munnie. Rent, a red rose. Attorneys to deliver seisin, John Foxall and Richard Hyll of Knighton. Witnessed by Richard Nycolas, Thomas Byrrie, Richard Hill of Estham, Humfrey Byrrie, William Hill, George Symons, Thomas Combes, alias Smyth, Gabriel Hill, clerk, Richard A. More. Dated 18 January, 14 Elizabeth.

251. 1572. Release from Richard Hill of Knighton, co. Worcester, husbandman, to John Birrie of the parish of Knighton, yeoman, of right in a close or parcel of arable land called Church furlong, on the south side of the church of Knighton, adjoining the churchyard; and in four acres of arable land called Mornmedowe helde, lying under Whadon Hill in the parish of Knighton. Witnessed by Thomas Byrrie, Gabriel Hill, Thomas Smithe, George Simones, Humfrey Burye, Richard A. More, Richard Nycolettes, gent., John Foxhole, Richard Hill of Estam. Dated 20 January, 14 Elizabeth.

Seal, a spread Eagle, and I. H.

252. 1574. Bargain and sale from Roger Garner of Dodenhill in the parish of Lindriche, co. Worcester, husbandman, to John Bury of Newnam, yeoman, of one acre of arable land in the parish of Knighton super Temde, in Caynes fealde, and in a place called Fearne Hill. Attorney to deliver seisin, William Hill of Byckeley, Worcester, yeoman. Witnessed by Wyllym Torner, Steaphen Clarke. Dated 10 January, 16 Elizabeth.

Seal, the letters H. I. or I. H.

253. 1574. Bond from Roger Garner of Dodenhill in the parish of Lindriche, co. Worcester, husbandman, to John Bury of Newnam, yeoman, in £10 to allow Bury peaceably to possess an acre of arable land in Caynes Feale in Knighton upon Teme,

258. 1580. Bargain and sale from William Pennell of Woodston in the parish of Lindridge, co. Worcester, yeoman, to John Bury of Newnam, yeoman, of 4 selions of pasture land in Mouncke meadowe furlong in the parish of Lindridge, between the lands of William Mound and extending to Epithams Crosse. Attorney, Thomas Bodenham of Dodenhill, Worcester, yeoman. Witnessed by Thomas Bury, Thomas Turnerdynce, Walter Dallowe. Seisin delivered in the presence of Roger Peny, Thomas Mound, Thomas Garner, Humfrey Bury. Dated 1 October, 22 Elizabeth.

259. 1580. Bond from William Mounde of Woodston in the parish of Lindridge, yeoman, to John Burye of Newnam in the parish of Knighton, co. Worcester, gent., in £20, the condition being that Burye shall peaceably possess two parcels of arable land, containing 2 acres in the Nether felde near to the river of Teambe in the parish of Knighton; one adjoining land of Thomas Mounde of Newnam and the highway, a pasture called Erdforde, and lands of George Symons and Thomas Foster, gent.; the other adjoining lands of William Burye, George Symons, and Thomas Mounde; and being customary lands. Signed: Wyllyam Munde. Witnessed by Thomas Somervyll, John Peny, William Pennell. Dated 25 May, 22 Elizabeth.

260. 1581. Lease from Edward Pitt of Kyer, Esquire, to Robert Jordan of Hanley Chylde, Christian his wife, and Thomas their son, of the manor house of Hanley Chylde, called Nether Hanley, now in the possession of the said Robert. Witnessed by Thomas Acton, John Phillips, Willm. Patchett, Willyam Baldwyn. Dated 13 April, 23 Elizabeth.

261. 1581. Copy of Roll of Court of the manor of Lyndrich with members, held 2 October, 23 Elizabeth, whereat was presented that Thomas Foster, a customary tenant, had granted to John Burye, another customary tenant, in fee, a meadow or pasture called "the Medowe at the Lane yende" next the highway, late in the tenure of William Turner in Newnam; and a parcel of arable land adjacent to Burye's tenement, being part of Foster's lands called Bodeswall, where the highway was lately

constructed; in exchange for a leasow or pasture or arable land called Botlorde, etc.

Signed by the Steward.

262. 1582. Copy of Roll of Court of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester, held at Lindridge, 4 October, 24 Elizabeth, whereat was presented a grant by Thomas Moorley to John Burye of Newnam, gent., of divers parcels of lands containing 10 acres. Localities mentioned: Churchfelde, Longemedow, lands of Thomas Tonnerdyne and Thomas Combes alias Smyth; Wares Brook; lands of Thomas Mounde, Richard Clarke, and Roger Hill alias Smyth; Stony Crosse, Stony Crosse Waye, Westefield, Ellarne waye; lands of John Hill; le Downe; lands of William Taylor and John Smyth, Caynesfeld under Hoppes Hill, and lands of Thomas Foster, gent.;—in exchange for one ridge of arable land in le Westefelde, next land of William Hill alias Taylor. Signed by the Dean, Receiver, and Steward.

263. 1583. Copy of Roll of Court of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester, held at Lindridge, 27 September, 25 Elizabeth, whereat the lord granted to John Burye of Newenham, his bailiff, one parcel of land lying within the chancel of the church or chapel of Knighton, containing ten royal feet in length, and eight royal feet in breadth, on the north side of the chancel aforesaid in that place where the aforesaid John Bury used to occupy himself in prayers (*orationibus vacare consuevit*), for making and erecting of and upon the aforesaid parcel of land a seat or "pewe," to hold to him his heirs and assigns for ever, according to the custom of the manor, confirmed by a decree of Chancery lately made. Yearly rent, one red rose at Midsummer. Fine, one pair of capons. Signed by Thomas Wilson, Dean there, Griffin Lewis receiver, Thomas Cecyll, Steward there.

264. 1586. Copy of Roll of Court of the manor of Lyndriche with members, held — September, 28 Elizabeth, whereat it was presented that Thomas Tonardyne had granted to John Burye of Newnam in fee a portion or leasow called Myethen, containing one acre and a half between pastures of Robert Townesyend, Esquire,

and Thomas Burye, the King's highway, and the river of Temde ; in exchange for one parcel of land on Myll Hyll between lands of Constance Foster, John Burye, and Thomas Burye, which Thomas had lately given it in (*sic*) exchange to John. Fine, 10s. Signed by the Dean, etc.

265. 1589. Copy of Roll of Court held at Lyndriche, 11 March, 31 Elizabeth, whereat William Pennell and Thomas Burye, customary tenants, presented a surrender by John Burye of Newnam of 8 acres of arable land in Newnam lying partly in Bote Lode, and certain butts at Odeley style, and partly in Mapull furlonge ; to the use of Edmonde Burye, his son and heir apparent, who was admitted. Signed by Francis Willis, Dean, Thomas Thornton, Receiver, Thomas Cecyll, Steward.

266. 1589. Copy of Roll of Court of the manor of Lyndryche with members, held 12 March, 31 Elizabeth, whereat William Pennell and Thomas Bury, tenants, presented a surrender by John Burye of one acre of land at Oxenhall, and a meadow called Oxenhall in Caynesfield in Knighton, to the use of Edmund Burye, his son and heir apparent. Fine, 4s. Signed by the Dean, etc.

267. 1589. Copy of Roll of Court of the manor of Lyndryche, held 12 March, 31 Elizabeth, whereat William Pennell and Humfrey Burye, tenants, presented that Thomas Moorley had surrendered one messuage and half a virgate of land formerly of Adam Hill, and other parcels in Knighton, to the use of John Bury of Newnam. Localities and persons named : Befold, John Hyll, Webley Furlong, Edengryge, Byllingsglatt, Jack Hodgekyn's cottage, and Long Medowe. Heriots, etc. Signed by the Dean, etc.

268. 1589. Grant in fee from John Bury of Newenham to Henry Evett of Woodhall, co. Worcester, gent., and William Penell of Woodston, co. Worcester, gent., being a settlement on the marriage of Edmund Bury, son and heir apparent of John Bury, and Margaret, one of the daughters of Richard Gardener, gent., of all his messuages of lands in Newenham and Knighton, co. Worcester, and

elsewhere in England, one moiety to the use of the said John Bury and Jane his wife, then of the said Edmund and Margaret and their heirs. Signed: per me Johannem Burye. Witnessed by Anthony, Downes, Thomas Savage, Raffe Lench, Thomas Bury, Thomas Cocke. Dated 6 January, 31 Elizabeth.

Possession given of a parcel called Oxnall in the name of the whole, in the presence of John Gardener, Richard Bury, Edward Bodenham, Henry Jyger.

Seal.

269. 1593. Roll of Court of Edward Pitt, Esquire, held at Hanley Childe, 22 October, 35 Elizabeth. The homage: Robert Jorden, William Combey, William Barnes, Robert Nevell.

. . . . d. and h. of Richard Salwey and Edward Newport are free tenants did not appear.

Death of George Appowell presented, who held lands in Hanley. Before his death he assigned lands to John Downes of Estham.

Presentment of encroachment by Richard Hodges on the lord's waste near his house and for obstructing a water course in a meadow next his house.

270. 1601. Lease from Charles Fox of Greete, co. Salop, Esquire, to John Freeman of Hanley Chyld son and heir of Nicholas Freeman and Anne wife of John Freeman, of messuages at Hanley Childe for £65. Dated 20 June, 43 Elizabeth.

271. 1603-4. Bond from Edmund Bury of Newnam, co. Worcester, gent., and Leonard Bury, gent., brother of Edmund, deputy bailiff of the Manors of Spalding, Pinchbeck, Haltbeache, and others late of the Monastery of Spalding, co. Lincoln, to Sir James Pytt, Knt., in £1,000, to save Sir James harmless in respect of the bond in which he stood bound with them and with William Corbett of Leigh, co. Salop, Esquire, William Ingram of Earl's Court, Esquire, and Roger Grafton of the parish of Pencomb.

272. 1605. Fine in which Sir Edward Pyttes was plaintiff, and Charles Fox, Esquire, and Jane his wife and Edward Fox, Esquire, deforciants, of the Manor of Hanley Childe, 2 messuages, 2 gardens,

100 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 40 of pasture and 10 acres of wood in Hanley Childe. Fine, £80. Dated seven days after Easter, 2 James.

273. 1610. Copy of Roll of Court Baron of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester for the Manor of Lindridge with members, held 11 April, 8 James I., shewing that William Pennell and William Bodenham, two customary tenants, presented that Edmund Bury, gentleman, had surrendered one messuage, half a virgate of land called Osebarnes, and other parcels, and all the fishery of the river called le Ree, from Plate Bridge now in decay, to a ford called Southwair Ford, to the use of Sir George Blounte, Knight, and his heirs and assigns. Heriots, Rent, Fine, etc. Signed by Arthur Lake, Dean; W. Barksdale, Receiver; George Langforde, Steward.

Endorsed: Sir John Blounte. Grand Copie of Newneham.

274. 1610. Copy of Roll of Court of the Manor of Lindriche with members, held 11 April, 8 James I., recording a license to Sir George Blounte, Knight, to demise to Edmund Bury, gent., for 10 years, one acre of land at Oxenhall, and Oxenhall meadow in Knighton. Fine 2s. 6d. Signed by the Dean.

275. 1610. Copy of Roll of Court of the Manor of Lindridge, held 11 April, 8 James I., containing a presentment by William Pennell and William Bodenham, tenants, of a surrender by Edmund Bury, gent., of one acre of land at Oxenhall, and a meadow called Oxenhall, in Caynesfeild in Knighton, not heriotable, to the use of Sir George Blounte, Knight. Fine 6s. Signed by the Dean, etc.

276. 1610. Bond from John Burie of Newnham, co. Worcester, gentleman, Edmund Burie of Newnham, gent., son and heir apparent of the said John, and Leonard Burie of Surfleete, co. Lincoln, gent., to Sir George Blounte of Sodington, co. Worcester, Knight, in £200 to observe the conveyance made by them to Blounte of the lands which the said John bought of John Hopton and William Phillipps, gentleman, in Knighton, co. Worcester, and a yearly rent of 18s. out of a pasture or meadow in Eastham, Knighton and Lyndridge. Margaret, wife of the said Edmund, is mentioned.

277. 1610. Copy of Roll of Court of the Manor of Lindridge, held 11 April, 8 James I., being the enrolment of a memorandum of exchange between Thomas Cooke of Dodenhill, co. Worcester, yeoman, and Edmund Bury of Newnham, gent., customary tenants of the Manor of Newnham. Bury gives a meadow called the Lake for a meadow called Trusham. Signed by the Dean, etc.

278. 1610. Bond from Edmund Burie of Newnham, co. Worcester, gent., and Leonard Bury of Surfleete, co. Lincoln, gent., to Sir George Blounte of Sodington, Worcester, Knight, in £160, the condition being that Edmund Bury shall perform covenants in indentures of this date made between Sir George Blounte, John Burie of Newnham, co. Worcester, gent., and the said Edmund. Dated 13 April, 8 James I.

279. 1610. Bargain and sale from John Burye of Newnham, co. Worcester, gent., and Edmond Burye of Newnham, gent., his son and heir apparent, to Sir George Blount of Sodington, co. Worcester, Knight, of all lands, rents, etc., which the said John Bury purchased of John Hopton, and William Phillippes, gent., heretofore in the tenure of John Hill, lying in Knighton, co. Worcester, and formerly belonging to the chantry of the Blessed Mary in the church of Knighton; with the yearly rent of 18s. out of a pasture or meadow called Colverham and the Ringe, in Eastham, Knighton and Lyndridge, co. Worcester. Signed by vendors. Witnessed by William Pennell, William Bodenham, Richard Higges, John Buri of the Hunt howse, John Simmons, George Langforth, Edmund Berecroft, Charles Wylde. Witnesses to Seisin: Peter Blounte, John James, etc. Dated 11 April, 8 James I.

Memorandum dated 14 August, 1657, that this deed was shown to Thomas Pennell and William Hill at their examination in a Chancery suit.

280. 1610. Copy of Roll of Court Baron of the Dean and Chapter of Worcester for the Manor of Lindridge with members, held 11 April, 8 James I., wherein is recorded that license was given to Sir George Blount, Knight, to demise to Edmund Bury, gent.,

for 10 years, one messuage and half a virgate of land called Osbarnes and other parcels, including the fishery of le Ree. Fine 12s. Signed by Arthur Lake, Dean, W. Barksdale, Receiver, George Langforde, Steward.

281. 1615. Thomas Morris alias Griffith of Hanley Childe alias Nether Hanley, Nicholas Morris alias Griffith of the parish of Estham, and John Downes of the Fulhams in the parish of Estham, and William Pytt of Kyer, gent. The former have confirmed to W. Pitt certain land being in Hanley Childe between the wood called Cheveridge Wood and a field called Kyer field, and extending to a certain park called Kyer park. Signed: Thomas X Griffiths, John Downes, William Pitte. Dated 20 October, 13 James.

282. 1619. Copy of Roll of Court of the Manor of Lindrich, held 7 October, 17 James I., being a surrender by Walter Blount, Esquire, of one messuage and half a virgate of land called Osbarnes, and other parcels, and the fishery of the Rea, and the admittance of Sir James Pitt, Knight. Heriots. Fine, a triple rent, £14 12s. 9d. Signed: John Archbolde, Receiver; George Longforde, Steward.

Memorandum, that 14 August, 1657, this copy was shown to William Hill and Arthur Bradshawe in the house of Thomas Browne in Cleobury Mortimer by virtue of a Chancery Commission, before Richard Kettilby and Matthew Barrow.

283. 1619. Bond from Walter Blount of Sodington, co. Worcester, Esquire, to Sir James Pytt of Kyer Wyard, co. Worcester, Knight, in £200, the condition being that Sir James shall peaceably possess a meadow or pasture called Colverham and the Ring, in Eastham, Knighton and Lyndridge, co. Worcester, with 18s. rent therefrom, which was sold to him by Blounte. Dated 7 February, 17 James I.

284. 1620. Fine levied between Sir James Pytt, Knight, plaintiff, and Walter Blount, Esquire, and Elizabeth his wife, and Edmund Bury, gent., and Margaret his wife, deforciant, of lands and 18s. of rent in Knighton, Newnham, Eastham, and Lyndridge. Trinity Term, 18 James I. (Two copies.)

285. 1620. Lease from John Downes of the Fulhams in the parish of Estham, yeoman, to Thomas Wynwood of Hanley Childe in the parish of Estham, yeoman, of 40 acres known by the name of the Lye, adjoining a brook called Burbach on the north, and on the east side shooting upon the highway leading from Worcester to Tenbury and adjoining land of William Childe, gent., also 3 acres of wood called the Lye Grove, 6 acres of old land called the Broompleck joining on the south side land of John Downes called Parkfield and eastwards the land of Sir James Pytte, Knt., called Kyer's field now in the occupation of Nicholas Freeman for the yearly rent of 10s. Signed: John Downes. Witnessed by John Gregge, Nicholas Morres alias Griffin, Thomas Tolly. Dated 2 July, 17 James.

286. 1623. Receipt from Walter Blount of Sodington, co. Worcester, Esquire, to Sir James Pytt of Curewyrd, Knight, for £3000, in satisfaction for messuages, lands, etc., in Newnham, Knighton, and Lyndridge, co. Worcester, which Pytt formerly purchased from Blount, according to articles dated 27 April, 1618. Signed by Blount. Witnessed by Richard Page, John Martin. Dated 21 November, 1623, 21 James I.

Seal of arms.

Memorandum on the dorse, that on 14 August, 1657, at the house of Thomas Browne in Cleobury Mortimer, co. Salop, this release was shown to Edward Pennell, John Rock, Arthur Bradshawe, and Thomas Pennell at their examination under a Chancery Commission to James Perrott, Richard Kettilby, and Math. Barrow; signed by the two last.

287. 1626. Lease from Sir James Pytts of Kiere Wyard, Knt., to John Downes of the Fulhams in the parish of Eastham, yeoman, Elizabeth his wife and William their eldest son, of the Fulhams for 95 years now in the occupation of John Downes. Signed: John Downes, Elizabeth Downes, William Downes. Witnessed by Edward Pytts, James Pytts, William Garnous, James Winton, Richard Mason. Dated 20 March, 2 Charles I.

288. 1630. Lease from Sir James Pytts of Kier Wyard, Knt., to Susan Jorden widow and William Jorden and Nathanael Jorden

her sons, of the chief Manor house of Hanley Childe otherwise Nether Hanley, for their 3 lives in consideration of £220 paid by John Newton of Barchurch, co. Salop, father of Susan Jordan, and a yearly rent of £5 13s. 4d. to be paid half yearly, with suit at the court baron of Sir James Pytte. Witnessed by Fabian Phillips, John Newton, Thomas Walker, Thomas Baker. Dated 4th October, 6 Charles I.

2 deeds.

289. 1634. Lease from Arthur Wynwood of Wootton in the parish of Onibury, co. Salop, to Thomas Morris alias Griffiths of Hanley Childe, Nicholas Morris alias Griffiths of Hanley Childe and Mary his wife, of the cottage in which Morris lives, one pasture land called the Grove containing 4 acres between Chaveridge Wood and land called Kiere field, extending in length to Kyere Park, during their lives at a yearly rent of 2s. Dated 1 May, 10 Charles I.

290. 1635. Lease from Sir James Pytt, Knt., for £80 to Anne Freeman wife of John Freeman of Hanley Child, Thomas Freeman son of the said John and Mary his wife, of the house at Hanley Child now in the occupation of John Freeman for their lives by a rent of 24s. a year in two half yearly payments, a couple of good capons at Christmas and the yearly payment of 2s. 1d. issuing out of the premises for Hundred Silver. Heriot of the best beast on the failure of each life. Suit and service at the Court of Hanley Child reserved. Tenants to provide two reapers for one day during harvest upon reasonable notice, and may take Hedgeboote, Ploweboote, Fierboote and Waynebotte. Witnessed by John Wynton, Edward Buxton, Richard Smyth, Edward Hill. Dated 9 March, 1635.

Three *seals*. The three tenants made marks.

291. 1638. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Kyer Wyarde to Scudamore Pytt his second son and Margaret his wife and Elizabeth Pytt their daughter of the messuage called the Fulhams now in the occupation of Elizabeth Downes widow, William Downes and Henry Downes, excepting all timber trees and the making

of fish works or stanks on the sides of the brook called Kyer brook, for 40s. to be paid half yearly and 40s. after the decease of every one of them. Signed: Scudamore Pytt, Margaret Pytts. Witnessed by Richard Parker, Richard Nicholetts, James Winton, Richard Evans. Dated 1st April, 1638.

292. 1651. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Freeman of Hanley Childe, yeoman, son of Thomas and Mary Freeman of Hanley Childe of a messuage in Hanley Childe (the name torn off). Witnessed by Nich. Cleton, James Renton, George Yeomans. Dated 28 July, 1651.

293. 1652. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard and Nicholas Morris alias Griffiths of Hanley Child, cooper, and Mary his wife, in consideration of the surrender of a lease dated 1 May, 10 Charles, made from Arthur Winwood to Thomas Morris and others of the cottage in which they live, lately purchased by Pytts, and also a parcel of land called the Grove containing 4 acres lying between Chaveridge wood and Kyre field and extending to Kyre Park, for the term of their natural lives by the rent of a peppercorn. Both lessees made marks. Dated 29 February, 1652.

294. 1658. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Elizabeth Moore of Kyer Wyard of the house in the churchyard and garden in the parish of Hanley Chylde, called by the name of the Grove, and late in the possession of Mary Griffiths. Signed: Eliza X Moore. Witnessed by Eliz. Pitts, Thomas Evans. Dated 20 January, 1658.

295. 1662. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Freeman of Hanley Childe, yeoman, and Elizabeth his wife of the messuage called the Grove containing about 6 acres, in consideration for delivering up a former lease, and a rent of £12 a year for 99 years, Signed: John Freeman, Elizabeth Freeman. Witnessed by Thomas Downes, William X Downes, Rich. Barrow. Dated 12 July, 1662.

296. 1663. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Thomas Sabery, junior, of Tenbury, yeoman, of Chaveridge in the parish of Hanley Childe now in the occupation of Thomas Sabery the elder for 99 years at the yearly rent of 12s. Signed: Thomas Sabery. Witnessed by John Sefton, Thos. Evans.

Bond attached for £40, the condition being that the said Thomas Sabery engages not to destroy or suffer to be destroyed any Deer, Hares, Coneys, Pheasants or Partridges belonging to the said Edward Pytts within his parkes, lordships or jurisdictions, nor to underlet. Signed: Thomas Sabery. Dated 21 May, 15 Charles II.

297. 1667. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyre Wyard, Esquire, to John Freeman of Hanley Child, yeoman, Elizabeth his now wife and Thomas their son of the tenement formerly held by his father Thomas Freeman, in consideration of giving up a lease dated 1651, £25, and a yearly rent of 24s. Signed: John Freeman, Elizabeth Freeman. Witnessed by George Hereford, Richard Barrow. Dated 10 July, 18 Charles II.

298. 1673. Copy of Roll of a Court Baron of James Pytts, Armiger, for the Manor of Hanley Child, alias Nether Hanley, held 23 October, 25 Charles II.

The homage present that Richard Creswell, Esquire, John Newport, Esquire, Richard Spilsbury, Anthony Nicholets, gent., Edward Belson, gent., and Mary his wife, are freehold tenants and ought to appear and render suit and service.

John Wenwood, gent., acknowledged to hold of the Lord a freehold messuage and a half yard land thereto belonging, heretofore the land of George Aphowell by the yearly rent of five shillings and a heriott of the two best beasts.

Thomas Downes acknowledged to hold of the Lord one messuage, one yard land and a water corn mill, heretofore the land of Richard Salwey by the yearly rent of 2s. 6d.; also certain other freehold lands heretofore the lands of one Foxe by the yearly rent of 2s. 6d. but by what services he knoweth not.

The homage presents that Richard Creswell holds of the Lord one freehold Messuage and tencement and two yard lands thereto belonging called Overton upon the Hill, heretofore the lands of

299. 1673. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Amias of Hanley Child, tailor, and Elizabeth his wife, of the tenement commonly called the Grove, in the parish of Hanley Childe. Signed: John X Amias, Elizabeth X Amias. Dated 26 March, 1673.

2 seals. Pytts' crest.

300. 1675. Lease from Scudamore Pytts of the Fulhams in the parish of Eastham to James Pytt of Ivington in the parish of Leominster of the Fulhams for twenty-one years by a rent of £60 a year. Signed: Scudamore Pytts. Witnessed by Geo. Hereford, Humphrey Smyth, James Pittes, Tho. Evans. Dated 2 August, 27 Charles II.

301. 1675. Lease from James Pytts, Esquire, of the Fulhams, lately in the occupation of Scudamore Pytts, to George Baylis the younger of the Woodside, in the parish of Wacton, gentleman, and Catherine his wife, in consideration of the cancelling of a lease made in 1638, between Sir James Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Scudamore his second son, Margaret his wife, and Elizabeth their daughter, and of £318 to be paid by George Baylis and a rent of £26 10s. a year, the right of hunting, hawking, and fishing being retained. Witnessed by Geo. Hereford, John Bolton, Tho. Euans. Dated 1 November, 27 Charles II.

302. 1675. Lease from James Pytts of Kyre Wyard to George Baylis the elder of the Fulhams, gentleman, Katherine his wife and George their son of the Fulhams, in consideration of giving up a lease dated in 1638 between Sir James Pytts and Scudamore Pytts, Margaret his wife, and Elizabeth his daughter, and £318, and a rent of £26 10s. 0d. Signed: George Baylis, Katherine Baylis. Witnessed by John Bolton, Phil. Barton. Dated 26 October, 30 Charles II.

Seal, Pytts' arms.

303. 1685. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Thomas Spilsbury the elder, Thomas Spilsbury the younger, and William Spilsbury of Hanley Childe, of all the land known as

Chaveridge, and also land adjoining called Powell's land, being 21 acres, for 3 lives at £1 16s. 8d. and two hens yearly, and £10 on the fall of each life. Signed: Thomas Spilsbury. Witnessed by John Powell, Phil. Barton. Dated 2 May, 1 James II.

Seal, Pytts' arms.

304. 1695. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyre Wyard to George Mapp of the Grove, in the parish of Hanley Child, yeoman, and Mary his wife, of the Grove, for two lives and £3 yearly. Witnessed by Phil. Barton, Richard Thomas. Dated 2 October, 1675.

305. 1718. Lease from Samuel Pytts to Robert Jurden of Hanley Child of the Court House at Hanley Child, for a sum of £65 and £3 a year for 99 years. Signed: Robert X Jordon. Dated 20 March, 1718.

CHARTERS RELATING TO COTHERIDGE,
HALLOW, PEACHLEY, POWICK,
AND WICK.

306. No date. Grant in fee from Richard de Otherton to John son of Osbert de Crowenest of land in the field of Hestenhul, between the land of Alexander de Frivile, lord of Crowenest, and the land of Joan de Saltford, at a yearly rent of 2*d*. Witnessed by John le Jeune, Adam de bury, Benedict le Notere, Geoffrey de Lawarne, Alexander de Otherton, Richard of the Mill.

307. No date. Grant from Richard de Otherton of Coderugge to Robert son of Robert Gorwy of a parcel of land lying between the land of John son of Richard Sweyn and the way leading from Howelston to Worcester, and extending from the grantor's land to the land of the said John Swein above Lyther Mill in the manor of Coderugge. Yearly rent one halfpenny. Witnessed by John son of Hugh de Coderugge, John son of Richard Swein, Alexander de Otherton, Richard of the Hall of Brannefford, Richard son of Gilbert de Brannefford.

Seal with a legend.

308. 1310. Release from William, son and heir of Hugh le Roter of Coderugge, to Hugh de Coderugge, clerk, of a messuage and land in the vill of Coderugge, which the said Hugh his father formerly held. Witnessed by Adam le Zonge of Coderugge, Nicholas le Waleys, John Attemulne, Walter de Otherton, Richard Knystwyne of Houleston, Hugh Attepludde, their Bailiff, John Godmon. Dated the morrow after Benedict the Abbot (21 March), 3 Edward II.

309. 1316. Grant in fee from Hugh son of John de Crowenest to Richard Knytwyne of Houleston and Agnes his wife of land in the field of Estenhull between the land of Sir Alexander de

Friville, Knight, and the land of John de Saltford, and extending to the meadow called Huytesheye. Witnessed by Adam Juene of Coderugge, William de Otherton, Hugh the Clerk, John Godmon, John de Saltford. Dated at Cotheridge Sunday after St. John the Baptist (24 June), 9 Edward II.

310. 1381. Grant in fee tail from Thomas de Houluston to Roger his brother and Isabella his wife of all lands and tenements which the donor had of the feoffment of the said Roger in Houluston. Witnessed by John le Zonge of Coderugge, John de Crowneste, William de Otherton, Hugh de Houluston, Richard Syrecock. Dated at Houluston, feast of St. Edmund the King, 9 Edward III.
Seal a fleur de lis, and legend "Walteri."

311. 1492. Grant in fee from Robert Archard of Hulston in the parish of Codruge and Joan his wife, and Geoffrey Griffith of Codruge and Isabella his wife, to John Walker of Codruge of a messuage with all that land called the Churchdiche, which William son and heir of Hugh le Roter formerly held in Codruge. Yearly rent to the chief lord, 4*d*. Witnessed by Robert Buteller, clerk, curate there, Robert Walker, yeoman, of the Lord the King and bailiff there, Henry Don, John Evot, John Parton. Dated Wednesday in Whitsun week, 7 Henry VII.

312. 1493. Release from Robert Botelar, clerk, and William Habynton to Agnes Leeth¹ of one cottage with appurtenances in Coderiche called Forteys, formerly the property of Walter Leeth. Dated 2 January, 8 Henry VII.

313. 1493. Grant in fee from Walter Lyeth to Robert Boteler, clerk, and William Habynton, gentleman, of his cottage with appurtenances lying within the lordship of Coderyche called Forteys. Witnessed by Roger Procteur, John Evott and Thomas Hillar. Dated at Coderyche, feast of St. Nicholas the Bishop, 8 Henry VII.
Seal.

314. 1532. Copy of Roll of Court of the Manor of Coderuge held on Friday before St. Luke the Evangelist (18 October),

¹ See note to No. 85.

24 Henry VIII., to which came Thomas Beste and Amicia his wife, to whom the lord granted one messuage in Hulston ; a parcel of land in Costehall ; a parcel of land called Bagenham, with three sellions of land adjacent ; parcel of the land and pasture called Shayles ground ; two acres in Hulston's field ; and one acre of meadow called Wethy acre. Rents reserved.

Seal, a head.

315. 1533. Copy of Roll of Court of the Manor of Coderuge held on Friday before St. Luke the Evangelist, 24 Henry VIII., to which came Richard Beste, Margery his wife and Thomas their son, to whom the lord granted the reversion of a messuage in Hulston within that lordship, now in the tenure of Thomas Beste father of Richard, of a parcel of land in Costehall, and of a parcel called Bagenham, to hold after the death of the said Thomas Beste and Amisia his wife.

Given under the seal of John Ketelby, steward.

316. 1614. Demise from Sir Paul Tracy of Stanway, co. Gloucester, and Dame Anne his wife ;| Edward Hall of Henwick, co. Worcester, and Anne his wife ; John Fleete of Hallow and Anne his wife, to William Barnes of Whytbourne, co. Hereford, for £1,100, of the manor of Wick Sapey, otherwise Golden Wick near St. John's Bedwardine, co. Worcester ; also one close called Rowlde containing 8 acres, Clarke's land 14 acres, two meadows called Ox Leasowe or Flagge Land containing 80 acres, two meadows called Common Horne containing 5 acres, and the Lord's meadow containing 8 acres ; together with 78 acres of arable land. Signed : P. Tracy, Anne Tracy, Edward Hall, Anne Hall, John Fleete, Richard Tracy, Skakerley Tracy, etc. Witnessed by Thomas Hall, W. Thorley, Anthony Barnes, Anthony Moninge, Jo. Hill, Scrivener. Dated 3 February, 12 James I.

Endorsed, "Lease of Wick Estate." Surrendered 1633 and endorsed, "Delivered to Henry Best of Partridge, co. Worcester, for £212, and Best is to pay to Mr. Anthony Barnes of Over Wick £56 for the corne of the ground and the later crop, and implements in and about the house."

317. 1625. Final Concord dated in the octaves of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin, 1 Charles I., between John Elfe, plaintiff, and Thomas Saunders and Mary his wife, defendants, of 1 orchard, 20 acres of land, six acres of meadow, and 4 acres of pasture in Hollowe, with a warranty against Thomas Rawlins and Anne his wife and Henry Best and his heirs for ever. Consideration £60 sterling.

Endorsed, "The Title of Peachley Estate."

318. 1632. Bargain and Sale for the sum of £5 by Thomas Saunders the younger of Hollowe in the county of Worcester, yeoman, to Henry Best of Hallowe and his heirs, of one barn in Peachley containing by estimation 6 bays of building, a moiety of Peachley farm with all land belonging thereto or accepted as parcel thereof within the parishes of Hollowe and Grimley in the county of Worcester, with the messuage wherein Thomas Saunders now inhabits. No witnesses. Dated 13 October, 8 Charles I., 1632.

Seal gone.

319. 1632. Bond in £600 from Thomas Saunders of Hollowe, co. Worcester, gent., to Henry Best, the condition being that Saunders should observe the covenants in Indentures of the same date between himself and his wife and the said Henry Best Witnessed by Richard Nicholetts, George Turner, James Pace, Thomas Wyer. Dated 10 January, 7 Charles I.

320. 1669. Final concord between Harry Evett, armiger, and William Cliffe, gent., plaintiffs, and Henry Best, gent., James Pytts, gent., and John Clent, gent., and Elizabeth his wife, defendants, of two messuages, one cottage, three . . . 90 acres of land, 76 acres of meadow, 50 acres of pasture in Wick Sapy otherwise Gould Wick otherwise Goulden Wick, Wick Episcopi or Bishop's Wick, Rishwick, St. John's in Bedwardine, Howson, Cotheridge, within the parish of St. John's in Bedwardyne. Consideration £200 sterling. Dated on the morrow of St. Martin, 21 Charles II.

321. 1672. Fine between James Pytts, gentleman, plaintiff, and Sir Rowland Berkeley, Knight, and Dorothy his wife deforciant, of 1 messuage and lands in Howson and Cotheridge. Dated Michaelmas Term, 24 Charles II.

322. 1672. Final concord between James Pytts, gent., plaintiff, and Richard Berkeley and Dorothy his wife, defendants, of one messuage, two gardens, two orchards, 50 acres of land, 26 acres of meadow and other property in Hakesow (?) and Cotheridge. The aforesaid James gave Richard and Dorothy £100 sterling. Dated fifteen days after Easter, 24 Charles II.

323. 1699. Grant from Katherine Pytts of Wick in St. John Bedwardine, widow, to Samuel Pytts of Kyer Wyer, son and heir apparent of the said Katherine. of the messuage called Howson in the parish of Cotheridge and also the messuage in Peachley in the parish of Hallow, now in the possession of John Cheese, for 99 years at a rent of one peppercorn. Signed: Katherine X Pytts. Witnessed by Thomas Brazier, James Brascoe. Dated 20 August, 1699.

324. 1703. Sale from Salwey Winnington of Stanford, Esquire, to John Russell of Wooflow, yeoman, of a messuage and house in Powick. Signed: Salwey Winnington. Dated 26 March, 1703.

325. 1732. Lease from Edmund Pytts of Kyre Wyard to William Mortiboyes of Peachley, of Peachley farm for twelve years at £55 a year. No witnesses. Dated 2 February, 8 George II.

Seal, arms of Edmund Pytts, two bars and in chief three estoiles.

CHARTERS RELATING TO MUCH COWARNE AND LUDLOW.

326. 1315. Grant from Sibilla Pauncefote widow of Grimbald Pauncefot formerly lord of Great Couwerne, with the consent of Emeric Pauncefot son and heir of Sir Grimbald aforesaid, to Ralph son of Ralph de Hirdesford of the parish of Ledbury and Lucy de la Hulle his wife for the term of their lives for the laudable service rendered by Ralph to the grantor, of all that land and tenement which Roger de la Hull formerly held in villenage in the fee of Great Couwerne, rendering to the grantor and her heirs two marks and suit at her court of Great Couwerne three times a year on reasonable summons. Witnessed by Richard le Boteler, Reginald le Boteler, John le Tayllur, John Phelip, John le Hunte, Adam le Boteler, Roger de la Feeld. Dated 11 April, 8 Edward II.

327. 1347. Grant from Richard de Shollee, senior, to Richard his son of a meadowe in Great Cowarne called Southeye which the donor lately had of the gift of Grimbald Pauncefot, Knight, and which Geoffrey de Bellofago holds of Richard for the term of his life only. Witnessed by Roger Cyfrewast, Walter de Helyon, Thomas de Wyke, John Brown of Asperton, John Pryde, Nicholas de Strete, Walter Carter. Dated Friday after the Annunciation, 21 Edward III.

Seal of arms, a bird.

328. 1377. Grant in fee from Hugh Paunsefot Lord of Cowerne to Sir Richard, Rector of the church of Haisfield, Andrew le Hoore, clerk, rector of the church of Thlancadok, William de Whytintone, Robert his son, Richard Brown, and Stephen Dygeryth, of his manor of Cowern with the reversion of all lands held by Petronilla relict of Grimbald Paunsefot, donor's brother, as dower in Cowerne, and all donor's lands in the county of Hereford. Witnessed by William Devereux, Knight, Walter de Huntlesleye (?),

deceased, to hold to the use of Thomas Langforde brother of the grantor, Anne his wife and their joint heirs, with remainder to the use of Richard Langforde, father of William and Thomas Langforde, and his heirs and assigns. Witnessed by John Coxe, John Bell, Thomas Blashefylde, John Allsapp, Richard Rasto, Bailiffs of Ludlow, Richard Tomlyns, William Pyke, John Dawton, Richard Hooke. Signed "by me Wm. Langforde." Dated 26 January, 1 Elizabeth.

Seal, R. T.

337. 1581. Bargain and sale from Richard Pauncefote of Hasfelde, Esquire, son and heir apparent of John Pauncefote of Hasfelde, Esquire, to William Flete of Horton in the parish of Chartham, Kent, Esquire, of the manor of Much Cowhorne or Cowarne, in consideration of £100, and on condition that Flete pay to Pauncefote or his heirs £200 on 6 December; but if he does not, Pauncefote by paying £100 at the dwelling house of William Flete called Horton in Kent before 31 May, 1582, may re-enter and enjoy the premises as heretofore. Witnessed by Walter Meredith, "writer of the Court letter of London," John Taylor, Thomas Williams, William Pottle. Signed and sealed by Pauncefote. Dated 26 May, 23 Elizabeth.

338. 1581. Quit-claim from John Pauncefote of Haffefilde in the county of Gloucester, Richard Pauncefote his son and heir apparent, and John Haukyns of Haffefilde, yeoman, of all right in the manor of Great Cowhorne alias Cowarne in the county of Hereford, and in all the premises which were the property of the said John in Great Cowarne, Stretton, and Egleton, to Charles Foxe of Bromfild in the county of Salop, armiger. Signed: John Pauncefote, John Haukyns. Witnessed by Arthur Blyncoe, John Tillye. Dated 16 October, 24 Elizabeth.

2 seals, with initials, 1 gone.

Memorandum endorsed that this release was delivered to Charles Foxe by Arthur Blyncoe and John Haukyns, servants of John Pauncefote, 18 October the same year, in the presence of Thomas Morrison, Edward Wynton, Edward Lewes, and William Horne.

339. 1581. Draft of a Release from Henry Cassye of Whitfild, co. Gloucester, Esquire, to John Haukins of Hassefild, yeoman,

332. 1510. Grant in fee from John Sparcheforde of Bristol, Merchant, to Walter Rogers of Ludlow, vintner, of one tenement in a street in Ludlowe called Dynham, extending from the King's tenement on the north to the garden of the Guild of Palmers on the south, and from the King's highway on the west to the tenement of John Hoke on the east. Witnessed by Richard Lane, William Clongonar, Bailiffs of Ludlow. Dated 5 June, 2 Henry VIII.

333. 1520. Indenture between Richard Fermor, Merchant, of the Staple of Calys, on the one part and John Bulfynch of Lyers Ocle in the county of Hereford, gentleman. Whereas the said Richard afore this time hath let to one Humfrey Beryngton, gentleman, the manor of Cowarne in the said county, the demesne lands thereto belonging and two watermills for the term of 21 years at a yearly rent of £10, the said Richard now lets to the said John the aforesaid rent, with all other his property in Cowarne and Paulton in the said county for the term of 20 years for a rent of £21 a year, to be paid in London at Lady and Michaelmas at the cost of the said John upon pain of forfeiture of the same lease. Signed: John Bulfynch. No witnesses. Dated 6 February, 11 Henry VIII.

Seal gone.

334. 1533. Bond from Richard Selman of Ludlow, Esquire, to Richard Palmer of Lynche in £40 to observe covenants in indentures of the same date. Dated 29 July, 25 Henry VIII.

335. 1558. Release from Alice Rogers, daughter of Walter Rogers late of Ludlow, mercer, to William Langforde of London, merchant, of all her right in a tenement and garden mentioned in a deed dated January, 1559. Dated 26 December, 1 Elizabeth.

336. 1559. Grant in fee from William Langforde of London, merchant, to Walter Hook of Worcester, weaver, and Richard Pooton of Ludlow, yeoman, of a tenement and garden containing one burgage in the town of Ludlow in the street called Denham between the lands lately appertaining to the Guild of the Palmers, and now in the hands of the bailiffs and burgesses on all sides, which the donor had of the gift of Walter Rogers his grandfather

Witnessed by John Haukins, William Lane, Edward Lewes. Dated 12 February, 24 Elizabeth.

Seal gone.

343. 1582. Bond in £1,200 from John Pauncfote of Hasfelde, co. Gloucester, Esquire, to Charles Fox of Bromfelde, co. Salop, Esquire. Signed and sealed by John Pauncfote and James Dyer. The official seal is also appended. Dated 12 February, 24 Elizabeth.

344. 1582. Release from John Pauncfote of Hassefilde, co. Gloucester, Esquire, Richard Pauncfote his son and heir apparent, and John Haukyns of Hassefilde, yeoman, to Charles Foxe of Bromfild, co. Salop, Esquire, of all their right in the manor of Great Cowhorne or Cowarne, etc. Signed and sealed by John Pauncfote and John Haukyns. Dated 16 October, 24 Elizabeth.

Delivered to Arthur Blyncoe in the presence of Arthur Blyncoe, John Sillye. Delivered by Arthur Blyncoe and John Haukyns, servants of John Pauncfote, to Charles Foxe in the presence of Thomas Morrice, Edward Wynton, Edward Lewes, William Lane.

345. 1582. Bargain and sale from John Pauncfote of Hassefylde, co. Gloucester, Esquire, Richard Pauncfote his son and heir apparent, Henry Cassye of Whytfylde, co. Gloucester, Esquire, and John Haukyns of Hassefylde, yeoman, to Charles Foxe of Bromefylde, co. Salop, Esquire, of the manor of Much Cowhorne, Cowarne or Cuerne and lands in Stretton and Eggleton. Dorothy wife of John Pauncfote mentioned. Recites a lease of "the chief messuage house and the demaynes thereunto belonging with the site of the Mills" from John Pauncfote to Robert Burghill and Elizabeth his wife, dated 12 March, 13 Elizabeth (1571), for 61 years at £16 a year. Also a copy of court Roll to John Rawlynges and Thomas Rawlynges his son of a messuage or tenement with lands. Also another copy of a cottage or tenement to Thomas Byrryngton deceased, Mary his then wife and Elizabeth Cachemaye their daughter. Pauncfote covenants to procure certain releases. Signed by John Pauncfote, Richard Pauncfote and John Haukyns. Henry Cassye neither signed nor sealed. Witnessed by

John Wolffe, Charles Hughes, William Jeffes, Thomas Morris, Rychard Bundye, William Muttowe, John Rawlinges, Thomas Rawlinges. Dated 28 December, 24 Elizabeth.

Three *seals*.

346. 1630. Indenture between Ralph Goodwyn of Ludlow, Esquire, and Sampson Eure of Grayes Inn, Middlesex, Esquire, witnessing that for the love which Goodwyn bears to Dorothy his wife, and for settling a jointure on her, he covenants that he shall stand seized of the manor of Much Cowhorne, Cowarne or Cuerne, and all other his lands in co. Hereford to the use of himself and the said Dorothy, and of his heirs and assigns. Signed by Eure. Witnessed by Rich. Blayney, Evan Phillips, Edward Edwards, Edward Ambler. Dated 28 January, 6 Charles I.

Seal of Arms.

347. 1630. Quit claim by Richard Selman of Ludlow to Raphe Goodwyn of Ludlow, Esquire, of all right and title to the Manor of Cowhorne alias Cowarne alias Cuerne in the county of Hereford. Signed: Richard Selman. Witnessed by Samp. Eure, James Bayliss, Jo. Normeat, John Millner. Dated 17 March, 6 Charles I.

Endorsed: 12 September, 1633. Memorandum that this deed was this day shewed to the witnesses on the behalf of Somerset Fox and Ralph Goodwyn defendants at the suit of Charles Fox in the presence of Jo. Vaughan, Humfrey Morrice, Fran. Phillips.

And also: At Ludlow 14 January, 1635. Memorandum that this deed was shown to the witnesses examined on behalf of Somerset Fox, Esquire, and other defendants at the suit of Charles Fox before us the commissioners whose names are subscribed, Thomas Powis, Fr. Phillipps.

348. 1630. Indenture between Ralphe Goodwin of Ludlow, Esquire, and Summersett Foxe of Gwerngo, co. Montgomery, Esquire, witnessing that whereas the said Foxe is bound by recognisance in the nature of a statute merchant before Adam Acton and Henry Pritchard gentlemen, bailiffs of Ludlow, keepers of the greater part of the seal ordained for sealing statutes merchant, and Richard

Mittow, gent., town clerk, keeper of the lesser part of the same seal, to the said Goodwin in £2,000. Nevertheless if Foxe perform all the covenants in an indenture dated 10 September last between him, Sir Walter Longe, Knt., and Charles Thynne, Esquire, of the one part and Goodwin of the other part, then the said recognisances shall be void. Witnessed by Samp. Eure, Anne Foxe, Edward Foxe, Tho. Butts, Jo. Wormeall. Dated 16 November, 6 Charles I.

Endorsed: The defeazance of the statute of £2,000 from Mr. Sum. Foxe.

349. 1634. License from the Bailiffs Burgesses and Commonalty of Ludlow to Charles Langford of Sipton, co. Salop, gent., executor of Richard Langford, to assign to Ralph Goodwyn of Ludlowe, Esquire, a lease dated 17 June, 13 James I. (1615), by the Bailiff, etc., to the said Richard Langford of a tenement and backside in Ludlow in a place called Dynham, adjoining a messuage belonging to the said Langford. Dated 18 January, 10 Charles I.

Common *Seal* of the town of Ludlow.

350. 1638. License from Rowland Williams, gent., and Charles Baldwyn, Esquire, Bailiffs of Ludlow and the Burgesses and Commonalty of the said town to Elizabeth Goodwyn of Stoke Pryor, co. Hereford [Worcester], widow and administratrix of Ralph Goodwyn, Esquire, to assign to John Newton of Heightley, co. Salop, Esquire, the lease of a messuage called the Harpe lying in Dynham, within the town of Ludlow, heretofore assigned to the said Goodwyn by Charles Langford, gent. Dated 26 April, 14 Charles I.

Common *seal* of Ludlow.

351. 1646. Marriage settlement between Ralphe Goodwin of the towne of Ludlow of the one part and Wallop Brabazon of Eaton, co. Hereford, Esquire, and William Dansey of Stoke Prior, co. Hereford, gent., of the other part. Goodwin in consideration of a marriage shortly to be solemnised between him and Elizabeth, daughter of the said Brabazon, grants to Brabazon and Dansey the Manor of Cowhorne and all other his lands in the county of Hereford. Dated 21 May, 22 Charles I.

Livery and seizin given to Dansey 26 August, 1646, in the presence of Richard Downe, Stephen Foxe, and Caleb Moore.

352. 1697. Grant of the Freedom of the borough of Ludlow to Samuel Pitt, Armiger. Signed: Philip Cole and Thomas Sabery. Dated at Ludlow 12 June, 9 William III.

Seal, Arms of the borough of Ludlow, in tin box.

353. 1734. Fine in which Robert Tracy, Esquire, was plaintiff and Alice Yate, Joan Goodwyn, widow, Benjamin Miliward, clerk, and Anne his wife and William Yate, clerk, were deforciant, of lands in Drayton, Shottery, Luddington, Old Stratford, and Stratford on Avon.

362. 1486. Power of attorney from Philip Fyschepole of the parish of Bromeyerd, husbandman, to Roger Greene of the parish of Penkom, co. Hereford, husbandman, to demand and receive all his debts and chattels, and also all his lands and tenements called Newbondes lying in Bromyard aforesaid. Dated 4 March, 1 Henry VII.

363. 1489. Power of attorney from Agnes Smarte of Wytteborne, lately wife of William Vyrnold, junior, of Wacton, to Roger Acton of Bokyltone, generosus, and Thomas Poole of Bromyard jointly and severally to enter upon one messuage and one nook of land lying in Wacton called Wylkyns' lands. Dated 3 July, 4 Henry VII.

364. 1491. Release of all actions from John Hall of Hartlebury, John Monhus of Rock, and Alice late wife of Richard Monhus, to Thomas Pole of Bromyard.

365. 1496. Bond in £40 from John Hunt, Senior, late of Bromyard, co. Hereford, John Hunt, Junior, late of Wolfurlow, Hereford, and Thomas Hunt of Hancburye, Hereford, husbandmen, to Sir John Mortymer, Knight, one of the King's Justices of the Peace in co. Worcester; the condition being that William Hunt, late of Bromyard "brchour," shall personally appear at Worcester Castle before the King's Justices at the next session to make answer to whatever may be objected to him on the part of the King.

17 November, 12 Henry VII.

366. 1515. Bromyard Borough. At a Hundred Lawday holden there on Tuesday the feast of SS. Philip and James, 7 Henry VIII., Robert Pyt acknowledged that he held of the lord three quarters of one burgage of free land lying in the new street within the Borough aforesaid, between the tenement of William Crassewell and the tenement of Richard Pery. Thereupon he was admitted, paid a fine, and was sworn a free burgess; and he did fealty.

367. 1562. Lease from Sir James Croft, Knight, to Francis Downe of Lyttell Hyde, co. Hereford, gent., Elizabeth his wife, and Thomas Downe their son, of a meadow with the appurtenances

371. 1572. Grant from Thomas Baskervyle of Nethewood to William Tompkyns, arm., John Sebourne, gent., and James Wynton of all his manors of Nethewood, Stoke Blysse and Edvyn Rafe to the uses indicated in a schedule which is annexed. Dated 26 April, 14 Elizabeth.

The schedule directs that the property shall be held to the use of himself and his heirs, then to Thomas Baskerville of Nethewood his base son and his heirs, failing whom to his base daughter Elynor wife of George Pycharde, gent., and her heirs, failing whom to William Goode of Nethewode, failing whom to the grantor's heirs for ever, reserving to himself power to make leases for any period of time not exceeding 3 lives.

Signed T. Baskerville.

Present at the sealing,

Anthony Hardwick, gent.	Philippe Jones, gent.
William Nott	William Goode
Richard Trump	Philippe Tompkyns
Raffe Goode	Thomas Tompkyns
William Becham	William Wylson
Humfrey Clark	John Smythe
Hughe Pyrry	Margery Wolvely
John Deykyn	William Pyrry
Thomas Deykyn	Roger Olyver
Humfrey Burford	

being farmers and holders of the lands, manors and tenements named in the deed.

Witnessed by

Anthony Hardwick, gent.	Howell Owyn
Edward Chell	Richard Goode
Richard Powell	Thomas Slade
John Holder	Roger Wallwynde

372. 1576. Admission from Edmund Archbishop of Canterbury of John Parkyn, cleric, to the rectory of Colyton with the chapel of Edven Loche vacant by the death of William Style, last rector there, on the presentation of Thomas Baskerville, Esquire, the undoubted patron. Dated on our manor of Lambehith, 9 November, 1576.

Large oval *seal* of red wax gone, except a small fragment, on which are the letters E . . . SIG.

373. 1577. Lease from Thomas Baskervill of Netherwood, gentleman, base son of Thomas Baskervile of Netherwood, Esquire, to Roger Olyver otherwise Olffa of Edvin Ralfe, co. Hereford, Elizabeth his wife and Thomas Olyver their son, of closes and pastures called the Crist Closes, lying in Edvyn aforesaid lately demised to Richard Deykyn. Yearly rent 13s. 4d., payable to the lessor and his heirs or to Eleanor wife of George Pytchard, gent., base daughter of the said Thomas Baskervile, Esquire. Heriots 13s. 4d. Dated 22 June, 19 Elizabeth.

374. 1577. Lease from Thomas Baskervile of Netherwood, gentleman, base son of Thomas Baskervile late of Netherwood, Esquire, deceased, to Walter Herrington, Joan his wife, and Catherine Burford, wife of Humfrey Burford of Edwyn Raffe, of a water-mill and millhouse called Heyes Mill in Edvin Ralph, at a yearly rent of 20s., payable to the lessor and the heirs of his body or to Eleanor Pytcharde wife of George Pytchard, gent., base daughter of the said Thomas Baskervile deceased and his heirs. Heriots 26s. 8d. Dated 9 July, 19 Elizabeth.

375. 1581. Lease from Thomas Baskervile of Nethewood, co. Hereford, Esquire, to Edmund Burford of Edvyn Raffe, husbandman, Elizabeth his wife and Elizabeth his daughter, of his pastures called Jeffreys Meadow, and Rowegrove, and his meadow called Newe Poole in the lordship of Edvyn Raffe. Dated 12 January, 23 Elizabeth.

376. 1585. Release from James Wynton of Bodenhame, in the county of Hereford, gentleman, to Thomas Baskervile of Nethwood, Esquire, of all suits and debts which may belong to the former by reason of a deafeasance upon a bond made to him by the latter. Witnessed by Francis Lovell, Esquire, Francis Downes, gentleman, Humfrey Cornwal, Esquire, William Pychard, Anthony Acton, gentleman. Dated 16 October, 27 Elizabeth.

377. 1592. Assignment from Richard Hunt of Tedstone Delamere to Edward Pytts of Kyer, co. Worcester, of his interest in

a mill and premises lying in Burterley in the parish of Edwyne Raff, co. Hereford, which mill was built by Richard while he was lessee together with Dorothy his wife and Anne his daughter, which Anne has since died, of the premises on which the mill was built, for certain considerations contained in indentures between the parties dated 24 October, 34 Elizabeth. Witnessed by Charles Turville, Richard Chambers, Richard Hunt. Dated 1 October, 34 Elizabeth.

Seal with letters R C (or G) and a legend.

378. 1598. Lease from Thomas Baskerville of Coleparke in the parish of Malmesbury, co. Wilts, and John Baskerville of Netherwood, co. Hereford, gent., to Thomas Jones of Edwin Loch, co. Worcester, gent., in consideration of £170, of all that capital messuage now in the tenure of Philip Jones, gent., father of the said Thomas Jones, situate in Edwin Loch, except a lease bearing date 4 January, 2 & 3 Philip & Mary, between Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood, deceased, of one part, and James Jones of Edwinloche and Elinor his wife, and Philip Jones their son, of the other part, being a lease for three lives at a rent of 25s. 4d. a year. Signed: Thomas Jones. Witnessed by Humphrey Eaton, Hugh Miles, John Perkins, Henry Deykins, Humfrey Burson. Dated 26 April, 40 Elizabeth.

379. 1599. Lease from Thomas Barrowe of Collington and Ursula his wife to Jane, wife of Sir John Perkyns of Collington, and Ursula and Elinor Perkyns their natural daughters. In consideration of £40 and the surrendering of two leases, one lease dated 22 February, 4 Elizabeth, made by Anthony Barrowe late of Collington, gent., father of Thomas Barrowe, to one Johane Davies widow and her assigns of land formerly in the occupation of William Richards, father of Johane Davyes; and the other dated 20 November, 21 Elizabeth, granted by Anthone Barrowe to Robert Perrie of Collington for the lives of Jane Ursula and Elinor Perkins. Dated 26 March, 41 Elizabeth.

380. 1599. Bond of John Baskerville of Nethwood and Thomas Lowe of Lindridge to repay Edward Pitt £10. Dated 6 November, 40 Elizabeth.

381. 1608. Fine in which John Smyth and John Deykyns were plaintiffs and Richard Smyth and Dorothy his wife defendants of two messuages and lands in Edwyn Rafe. Michaelmas Term. 6 James I. Much perished and nearly illegible.

382. 1608. Fine between Humphrey Salvey, Esquire and William Pateshall plaintiffs, and Thomas Barrow, gentleman and Ursula his wife, defendants, of 8 messuages and lands in Collington, Edwin, Bromyard, Thornbury, St. Andrew's, alias St. Owen's, Mouseley, Bosebury, Ledbury, Weston, Stoke Edith, Asperston, Stretton, Westhide, and Yarkle. Consideration £60 sterling. Dated the Octaves of Michaelmas, 6 James I.

383. 1609. Release from William Smith of Edwin Ralph, son of Thomas Smith, clerk, to Richard Smith of Edwin Ralph, yeoman, of a messuage in Edwin aforesaid, near to a close or leasow called Fishpoole Close. Witnessed by Tho. Winde, John Smythe, William Smyth, George app. Dated 13 July, 6 James I.

384. 1611. Lease from Sir Edward Pytt to James Pytt of Edwyn Rafe and Dorothy his wife and John and William Pytt his sons of a messuage in Edwyn Ralph which was lately granted by copy of Court Roll by Sir James Crofte and Thomas Davies, then steward of the manor, to John Deykin Joyce, his wife, and John their son. Recites that Walter Mason in 1530 granted to John Pytt of Stoke Bliss a messuage beneath Garmesley Hill in the Pyrry for 99 years, which John Pytt devised to John Pytt his son, who bequeathed it to Isabel his wife and then to James his son, mentioned above, and the reversion has now fallen to Sir Edward Pytt. Signed: William Pytt, James Pytt, Dorothy Pytt, John Pytt. 29 July, 8 James I.

385. 1611. Indenture between Sir Edward Pitt of Kyre Wyard, Knight, and Thomas Smyth parson of Edwyn Ralph, Clerk, Joyce his wife, and Robert Phillipps and Mande his wife, whereby Smyth devises to Sir Edward his tithe out of Edwyn's wood and also the tithe of the Broad meadow, the Long meadow, and the Lord's meadow, now in the tenure of Sir Edward Pytt, being parcel of his manor of Edwyn Raff, and Sir Edward grants to Joyce Smith

and Maude Phillips, natural daughter of Smyth, one new tenement lately built and a leasowe called Inston's Heath for their lives, at a rent of one red rose and 3s. 4d. twice a year. Witnessed by James Pytt, William Childe, William Pitt, William Childe (*sic* twice), 14 August, 8 James.

386. 1615. Discharge by Richard Leighton of the payment by William Leighton of £90, reserved to Thomas Cornewall, Thomas Williams, and William Pitcher and Thomas Baskerville and John Baskerville his son and heir now deceased, by an indenture dated 23 April, 44 Elizabeth (1582), being a lease of the Hall of Netherwood with 700 acres, more or less, of the demesnes of Netherwood, and 100 couple of conies or £3 6s. 8d. in lieu of them, to William Leighton for £90 a year and 23s. 4d. to the parson of Thornbury for the time being in lieu of all manner of tythe. Signed: Richard Leighton. Dated 17 July, 13 James of England, 48 of Scotland.

387. 1618. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Kyer Wyard to Elizabeth Winwood, wife of Edward Winwood, John Winwood and Edward Winwood their two eldest sons, of a tenement in Edwyn Raphe for £5 a year.

388. 1618. Copy of Roll of Court of Edwin Ralph, held 24 September, 16 James I. On paper. The homage were James Pytt, Thomas Burrall, George Yeomans, Willi Tyler, John Burvord, Richard Smyth, Richard Burvord, Roger Smyth, Thomas Oliver, and Humfrey Deakins¹.

389. 1619. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Keire Wyard, Knight, to Elizabeth Farrington alias Tyler, widow, and Thomas Hillman of Thornbury, yeoman, and Dorothy his wife, of the messuage known as Poytes Place in the parish of Edwin Raffe now in the occupation of Elizabeth Farrington for £100 and a rent of 40s. to be paid half-yearly, and a heriot of a beast or £3 6s. 8d. at the fall of each life. Dated 10 April, 1619.

390. 1619. Bond in £600 between Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood and Sir James Pytt of Kyre Wyard, Knight, the con-

¹ There is also at Kyre Park a modern manuscript copy of the Court Rolls of Edwyn Ralph for the years 1416 to 1420.

dition being that Baskerville shall convey to Pytt two copyhold messuages with their appurtenances, now or late to the tenure of Richard Mason and Joyce his wife, called Little Rowden and Collington; and also all profits belonging to Thomas Baskervill out of the manors of Eighe, Edwyn, and Collington. Signed: Thomas Baskerville. Witnessed by Thomas Jernyngham, Richard Evans, Thomas Holmans. Dated 14 September, 17 James of England, 53 of Scotland.

391. 1619. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Keire Wier, Knight, to George Yeomans of Butterlie in the parish of Edwin Raphe, his wife Isabel (?) and his son Humphrey Yeomans, of the tenement called the Over House, wherein the said George Yeomans dwells, for £100, and a yearly rent of £1 6s. 8d. Signed: George Yeomans, Humphrey Yeomans, Isabel (?) Yeomans. Witnessed by Richard Bray of the Byerches, Bockleton, Thomas Burwall, Anthony Mason of Thornbury, Richard , Humphrey X Deakin, Roger Grubb. Dated 6 January, 1619.

392. 1619. Indenture between Thomas Baskerville of Nethwood in the county of Hereford, Esquire, of the one part, and Sir James Pytt of Kyer Wyard in the county of Worcester, Knight, of the other part. Whereas the said Thomas Baskerville by his recognisance or statute staple, bearing date the day of these presents, acknowledged himself to stand bound to the said Sir James Pytt in the sum of £600, now if the said Thomas Baskerville before Lady Day next ensuing convey to Sir James Pytt the two copyhold tenements known as Little Rowden and Collington, together with all chief rents and profits arising out of the Manors or Township of Eighe, Edwyn, and Collington in the county of Worcester, at the cost of Sir James Pytt and his heirs, then the said recognisance shall be void. Signed: Tho. Baskerville. Witnessed by Tho. Henenyngham, Richard Euans, Thomas Helman. Dated 14 September, 17 James I.

One seal.

393. 1620. Bargain and sale from Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood and Chrisagon his wife to Edward Reade of Goverhill, co. Gloucester, in consideration of £2,750, of the scite of the manor of Netherwood with a covenant that Thomas and Chrisagon Basker-

ville shall levy a fine of the manor of Netherwood and the Advowson of Thornbury. Signed: Thomas Baskerville. Witnessed by Arthur Baskerville, Thomas Peix, Charles Leighton, Thomas Killingworth.

394. 1621. Indenture between Edward Reed of Gubberhill, co. Gloucester, of the one part, and Sir John Vere of London, Knt., Sir George Hollis of London, Knt., and John Reed of London of the other part, witnessing that in consideration of £3,150 the said Edward Reed hath granted to the said persons the capital messuage and site of the Manor of Netherwood, co. Hereford; the lands known as the Park of Netherwood containing about 800 acres; a water grist mill now in the tenure of one Walter Oliver; a meadow called Oaken grove in the tenure of Eliz. Davies, widow; and the advowson of the church of Thornbury for ever; in trust nevertheless to pay the proceeds to Sir John Vere during his life, and after his death to such person or persons as he may appoint by will. Exception from the grant the next presentation to the Church of Thornbury heretofore made by Edward Reed to Richard Reed of Gubberhill, gentleman, his brother. Signed: Edward Reed. Witnessed by Daniel Vere, Tho. Malet, Willm. Stamiare, Anthony Wilson, Griffith Williams. Dated 4 November, 19 James I.

One *seal*.

395. 1621. Confirmation of grant from Thomas Baskerville of Netherwood and Grezigon his wife to Edward Reed of Gubberhill, co. Gloucester, in consideration of £2,750, of the manor of Netherwood, etc., all houses thereto belonging, the meadow known as Oaken grove, and the lands known as the Parks. Signed: Thomas Baskervyle. Witnessed by Richard De La Bere, Walter Reed, Thomas Cartwright. Dated 15 July, 18 James I.

Seisin given in the presence of Walter Reede, Richard Kelsham, Richard Fowler, Thomas Cartwright, Richard Holloway the elder.

396. 1621. Declaration by William Layton of Woodcastle, co. Radnor, Esquire, and Richard Layton of Marwheele, co. Denbigh, Esquire, that they have released all the rights they held in the manor house of Nethwood otherwise Nethewod, the demesne

lands of the park there, to Edward Reade of Goverhill, co. Gloucester, Esquire. Signed : W. Leighton. Witnessed by Arthur Turner, Richard Ratcliff, John Languishe. Dated 23 August, 1621.

397. 1621. Fine in which Edward Reed, Esquire, was plaintiff and Thomas Baskerville, Esquire, deforciant, of the Manor of Nethewood and the Park of Nethewood, lands in Nethewood and Thornbury and the advowson of the Church of Thornbury. Trinity Term, 18 James I.

Portion of the *seal* of the Common Pleas.

398. 1621. Exemplification of a fine in which Edward Reed, Esquire, was plaintiff, and Thomas Baskerville and Chrisigon his wife, Richard Leighton, Esquire, and Catherine his wife, and William Leighton, Esquire, were deforciants, of the Manor of Netherwood, lands in Thornbury and the advowson of the church of Thornbury. Michaelmas term, 19 James.

Seal gone.

Fine deed, much ornamented.

399. 1621. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Kier Wyard, Knight, to Richard Evans of Kier Wyard, gent., Mary his wife, and Thomas their son, of the messuage in Edwyn Raffe lately in the occupation of John Burford deceased, for £120 and a yearly rent of £20. Signed : Richard Evans, Mary Evans, Thomas Evans. Witnessed by Robert Ovington (rector of Kyre), Richard Kirbye, Robert Hay, James Wynton, Jo. Martin. Dated 30 August, 1621.

400. 1623. Certificate from Francis, Bishop of Hereford, to Richard Parker of his admission to the Rectory of the church of Collington vacant by the death of John Perkyns last rector on the presentation of James Pitt, Knt. Signed : Fr. Heref. Dated 19 April, 21 James I.

Seal gone.

401. 1629. Lease from Sir James Pitts of Kier Wyard, Knight, to James Shepheard son of Thomas Shepheard of Mibury, co. Salop, yeoman, deceased, and Richard and John Counley of Islington, co. Middlesex, of all that messuage in Bromyard and Edwyn Rafe,

lately occupied by Joyce Bennett and Richard Smith, containing about 14 acres, at a yearly rent of 20s. Signed: Richard Counley, John X Counley. Witnessed by James Pitt, John Sparry, Edward Pytts. Dated 17 June, 5 Charles.

402. 1630. Bond from Thomas Wynde of Bromyard and others to Sir James Pytt of Kier Wyard, Knight, in £100. Dated 25 October, 1630.

Very nearly illegible.

403. 1635. Lease from Sir James Pytts of Kiere Wyard, Knight, to Henry Pyvinch of Kiere Batch co. Hereford, yeoman, Izolt his wife and William their son of a Water Mill and Mill house called Hayes Mill situated in Edwin Raph now occupied by Anna Burford widow. Signed: Henry Pyvinch, Izolt X Pyvinch, William Pyvinch. Witnessed by William Gamon, Richard Mason, James Watkins. In consideration of £20, 50s. a year of a heriot on the death of each tenant. Dated April 1, 3 Charles I.

404. 1638. Lease from Sir James Pytt of Kyer Wyard, Knight, to Richard Pirrye the elder of Edwin Raphe, yeoman, Richard Pirrye the younger and Mary his wife, of the messuage in which Pirrye now dwells, in consideration of £6 and his yielding up a copy of Court Roll made between Thomas Baskevyle, Esquire, and William Perrye and Anne his wife and Richard their son bearing date 1580. Witnessed by Edward Pytt, Richard Evans, John Winton. Dated 2 February, 1638.

405. 1641. Lease from Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Holland of Edwin Rafe, Milner, and Jone his wife, of a corn mill with the appurtenances situated in Butterley in the parish of Edwyn Rafe for a payment of £10 and a rent of 20s. a year. Witnessed by Edward Buxton, William Poole, John Winton. Dated 15 May, 17 Charles I.

406. 1642. Certificate from George, Bishop of Hereford, that Richard Wood subscribed to three articles in the 36th Chapter of the Ecclesiastical Canons before his admission to the Rectory of Collington. Signed: Geo. Hereford. Dated 19 July, 1642, of our translation the 7th year.

Seal of the Bishopric, broken. On the reverse the arms of the Bishopric impaling three crescents, on a canton a mullet.

Endorsed in Latin as follows :—Exhibited at the primary Visitation of Herbert, Bishop of Hereford, at Hereford 6 November, 1662; signed: William Lawrence Registrar; and again at the triennial visitation of the same bishop 19 September, 1665; signed: Jo. Staverton Registrar.

407. 1642. Admission from George Bishop of Hereford of Richard Wood to the rectory of the parish church of Collington, vacant by the resignation of Thomas Potter last incumbent, on the presentation of Edward Pitt, esquire, patron of the said church. Dated 19 July, 1642.

Sealed with the Episcopal *seal* of the diocese of Hereford.

408. 1642. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kier Wyard, Esquire, to William Bruton of Edwyn Rafe, yeoman, of the Lower House situate in Edwyn Rafe parish, now in the occupation of George Drykins, for a payment of £20 and 40s. a year. Witnessed by Edward Buxton, John Winton, John Morris. Dated 1 June, 16 Charles I.

409. 1645. Lease from Edward Pitt of Kier Wyard to Richard Hailes of Wick, co. Salop, gent., of a tenement in Edwyn Rafe for 80 years for 40s. a year. Witnessed by Richard Evans, Richard Hailes, junior, Thomas Evans. Dated 20 August, 20 Charles I.

410. 1647. Lease from Edward Pytt of Kyer Wyard to William Poole of Bromyard, in consideration of the true and faithful service done and performed unto the said Edward Pytt by the said William Poole, of all that messuage in Collington now in the tenure of Isaac Houcke, after Houcke's death, at a rent of 20s. a year, on condition also that Poole shall not wear the livery of any person but Edward Pytt (His Majesty's livery excepted), shall attend a summons at the Manor Courts of Collington, and shall allow Pytt and all others that Pytt authorises to hunt and hawk over the land let to him. Signed: William Poole. Dated 20 November, 23 Charles I.

411. 1649. Lease from Edward Pytt of Kyre Wyard, Esquire, to Thomas Burwall of Butterley in the parish of Edwin Rafe, Katherine his wife, and Edward their son and Jane Steward (by the guidance of God) his wife for 100 marks and the surrender of a lease dated 11 James (1614) of the farm of Butterley and the Meare meadow in the parish of Edwyn Rafe at an annual rent of £22. Signed: Edward Pytts, Edward Buswall. Witnessed by Edward Pennell, Mathew Barrow, John Waldron, George Yeoman. Dated 8 October, "according to the computation of the Church of England 1649."

412. 1651. Surrender from John Smyth the elder of Briddenbury, co. Hereford, yeoman, Mary his wife and John Smyth the younger and Margery Smyth, son and daughter of John and Mary Smyth, to Edward Pytts of Kyre Wyard, co. Worcester, arm., of a messuage called the Brickhouse sometime in the occupation of John Perry in Edwin Raphe, leased to them 19 March, 1849. Witnessed by Thomas Eaton, Humfrey Elkins, George Yeoman, John Woodyatt. Dated 17 April, 1651.

Four *seals*.

413. 1651. Lease from Edward Pytts to John Smyth the younger of Briddenbury, yeoman, in consideration of the above surrender, £7 and a couple of good capons each year for 99 years, of the messuage in Edwyn Rafe formerly occupied by Philip Perrins, and called the Brickhouse. Signed: John Smith. Witnessed by Tho. Eaton, John Woodyatt, George Yeomans. Dated 13 April, 1651.

414. 1653. Lease from Edward Pytts to William Turberville, Martha his wife and John their son, for £200 and a rent of 40s., of Lower Horton in Edwyn Rafe, wherein Richard Mason dwelt. Signed: William X Turberville. Witnessed by Edward Burwall, George Yeomans, John Osland. Dated 2 June, 1653.

415. 1653. Lease from Edward Pytts to Edward Burwall of Butterley in the parish of Edwyn Rafe, Jane his wife and Thomas their son, for £100 and a yearly rent of £2, of Butterley farm and

Meare meadow. Signed: Edward Burwall, Jane Burwall. Witnessed by Edward Burwall, George Yeomans, John Osland. Dated 31 May, 1653.

416. 1655. Lease from Edward Pytts to Roger Yeomans of Butterley in the parish of Edwyn Rafe, yeoman, and Ales his wife, of the farm known as the Over House, formerly occupied by the mother of Yeomans and now by his brother Thomas, for £250 and a yearly rent of 26s. Signed: Roger Yeomans. Witnessed by Matt. Barrow, John Sefton, Rich. X Taylor, John X Lane, Thomas Evans. Dated 14 April, 1655.

417. 1655. Lease from Edward Pytts to Philip Barrett of Collington, yeoman, for £20 and a rent of £2 13s. 4d. a year, of Russell's Croft, 8 ridges at Woodlye, 8 ridges in Small Meadow, two acres in the Hoare Stone field, also land in Mill Croft, Man Meadow, Lord's Close, Rowy Grove, and the Pike, all in Collington, and in the occupation of Joyce Barrett, widow. Signed: Phillip Barrett. Dated 22 November, 1655.

418. 1656. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyre Wyard to Elizabeth Wilkes, wife of William Wilks of Bromyard, of the cottage now in the occupation of Katharine Perkins, spinster, at a rent of £1 a year for 99 years if she shall so long live; and also the lands adjoining in Colliford's field in Collington. She may take houseboote, hedgeboote, ploughboote, fireboote, and wainboote. Dated 9 September, 1656.

419. 1657. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to Richard Perry of Edwin Raphe, yeoman, Mary his wife, and John their son, of the tenement in Edwyn Rafe they now occupy, in consideration of £14, and yielding up a lease made between Sir James Pytts and Richard the elder in 1638. Signed John Perry. Witnessed by Thomas Smyth, John Sefton, Thomas Evans. Dated 18 November, 1657.

420. 1658. Fine in which Edward Pytts, Esquire, was plaintiff, and Awbrey Devere, Earl of Oxford, Lord Bulbeck, Samford, and Badlesmere, and Anne Countess of Oxford his wife were deforciant,

of the site of the manor of Nethwood, Netherwood or Netwood, the park of Netherwood, and lands, water-mill, etc., in Nethwood, and Thornbury and the advowson of the Church of Thornbury. Hilary Term, 1658.

421. 1658. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard to Roger Yeomans of Butterley in Edwin Raphe, Alice his wife, and Humphrey their son, for their three lives for £250 and a rent of £1 6s. 8d., of the Over House in Edwin Raphe, now in the occupation of the said Roger. Signed: Roger Yeomans. Dated 20 November, 1658.

422. 1659. Lease from Edward Pytts, to Edward Burwall and Roger Yeomans of the same parish, of the farm at Butterley for £60 and £4 a year. Dated 19 January, 1659.

423. 1659. Common Recovery in which Sir John Holland, gent., was plaintiff, and Edward Pytt, Esquire, defendant, the Earl of Oxford being called to defend the title, of the Manor of Netherwood and the appurtenances, the park, one messuage, one water mill, three dove houses, eight gardens, 300 acres of land, 50 acres of meadow, 700 acres of pasture and 50 acres of wood in Netherwood and Thornbury and the Advowson of Thornbury. Dated 4 May, 1659.

Seal of Richard Cromwell; obverse, the House of Commons in session, reverse, Maps of England and of Ireland.

Fine deed, much ornamented at the top.

424. 1659. Indenture tripartite between Awbrey de Vere, Earl of Oxford, Lord Bulbeck, Samford and Badlesmere and Anne Countess of Oxford of the first part, Edward Pytt of Kyre Wyard, co. Worcester, Esquire, of the second part, and John Holland of Newe, co. Middlesex, junior, gent., of the third part. Agreement on the part of the earl and his wife, in consideration of £2,374, to levy before the Justices of the Common Bench at Westminster a fine "sur cognizance de droit" with proclamations according to the statute in that case made and provided, of the Manor of Netherwood co. Hereford. And it shall be lawful to John Holland before the end of Michaelmas next to bring a writ of entry sur disseisin

against Edward Pytt and his heirs, to which Pytt shall appear and vouch to warranty the Earl of Oxford, whereby a good and perfect common recovery may be had. Signed: Oxford; Anne Oxford. Witnessed by Fran. Atkinson, Fab. Phillips, Selv. Petty. Dated 31 March, 1659.

425. 1661. Indenture between Matthew Barrow of Collington, co. Hereford, gent., and Thomas Evans of Edwine Raphe, co. Hereford, gent., of the one part, and Edward Pytt of Kyre Wyard, co. Worcester, Esquire. Recites an indenture dated 31 March, 1569, whereby Fabian Phillipps of the Middle Temple, Esquire, Francis Atkinson of Ludyranes co. Middlesex, gent., John George of Hornsey, gent., and Henry Glemham, of Highgate, co. Middlesex, granted to the said Barrow and Evans the estate of Netherwood, and witnesses that Barrow and Evans claim no right in the premises, and stand ready to grant them to such person as shall be appointed by Edward Pytt. Witnessed by John Sefton (?), Samuel Evans, Richard Barrow. Dated 12 January, 1661.

426. 1662. Lease from Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard to Henry Pyvinch of Edvine Raphe, yeoman, and Jane his daughter, for £4 and a yearly rent of 50s., of Hayes Mill in Edvine Raphe, for 99 years, beginning from the several deaths of the said Henry, Izotta his wife, and William their son. Signed: Henry Pyvinch, Jane X Pyvinch. Dated 28 February, 1662.

427. 1663. Lease from Edward Pytts to Edward Burwall of Butterley, yeoman, Henry Mace the elder of Wacton, yeoman, Joyce Smyth wife of John Smyth the elder of Edwyn Rafe, Joan Holland wife of John Holland of Edwyn Rafe, miller, and Henry Mace the younger, for £70 and a yearly rent of £4, of Edwyn's Batch, the Garland, the Heath, Black Fen, and 15½ acres of land. Signed: Ed. Pytts. Witnessed by Eliz. Yarnold, Thomas Evans, Anne Yarnold. Dated 16 June, 15 Charles II.

428. 1664. Lease from Edward Pytts to Philip Barrett of Collington, in consideration of delivering up a former lease, of Russell Croft, Wood Lye, and land in Small meadow, Hoarstone

meadow, and the Lord's Close, for 99 years, if the said Philip, Anne his wife, and Thomas his son shall so long live, for £2 13s. 4d. a year. Signed: Edward Pytts. Dated 2 July, 16 Charles II.

There is also a counterpart of this lease.

429. 1669. Indenture between Thomas Foley of Witley, in the county of Worcester, and Edward Pytts of Kyer Wyard, reciting a lease, dated 28 April last, from Pytts and Elizabeth his wife to Foley, of Edwyn Wood, containing 140 acres with all the trees, Oaks, Ash, Beech, Birch, and Maple, about 4,300 in number, with liberty to cut down and carry away for his own use all trees that are timber, and to make sawpits, for 32 years from 24 June next, paying at the house of the said Pytts of Kyer, for the first year one peppercorn, for the next 30 years £120 a year, and for the last year one rose flower. Now for securing these payments, Thomas Foley demises to Pytts Prickley House, the New Twynings, and Poston close, all in the parish of Martley, in the county of Worcester. Signed: Thomas Foley. Dated 18 May, 1669.

430. 1671. Lease from Edward Pytts to William Houlder of Collington, yeoman, of the Lord's Acre, bounded on the east by land of Francis Potter, on the south and west by land now occupied by William Houlder, and on the north by the highway leading from Bromyard to Tenbury, for 99 years, if Richard, Edward, and Matthew, three of the sons of the said William, should so long live, for 15s. a year. Dated 30 January, 23 Charles II.

431. 1673. Lease from Pytts to Richard Cooke of High Edvyn, tailor, and Mary his wife, for £168 and 20s. a year, of a tenement in the occupation of Hugh Baylis in Edwyn Rafe. Signed: Richard Cooke. Witnessed by Geo. Hereford, John Bolton, Rob. Lane. Dated 11 April, 26 Charles II.

432. 1674. Lease from Edward Pytts to John Perry the elder and John Perry the younger, Matthew and Jane his children, all of Collington, of the meadow known by the name of the Old Mills, for £81, 5s. a year, and a couple of capons at Christmas. Signed with marks. Dated 13 February, 1674.

433. 1674. Assignment by John Smith, yeoman, of the benefits of a lease, dated 16 April, 1674, made between James Pytts and the said John, of the Brickhouse and Perrins tenements in Edwin Ralph, to Susan his wife and Mary their daughter, after his decease. Dated 20 April, 26 Charles II.

434. 1674. Lease from James Pytts of Kyre Wyard, Esquire, to John Smyth of Edwyn Ralph, yeoman, of the Brick House and Perrins Land, paying 26s. 8d. for the Brick House and £7 for Perrins Land. Signed: John Smyth. Witnessed by Charles Wyer, Richard Solly, John Burwall, Phi. Barton. Dated 20 April, 26 Charles II.

435. 1674. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard, Esquire, to John Perry of Edwyn Raph, reciting that Edward Pytts, father of James, leased to Thomas Holloway and Richard Holloway of Stoke Bliss in trust for John Perry and Elizabeth his wife, the Wood Leasow and a tenement lying between Edwyn Wood and a farm called Horton at a yearly rent of 20s., which premises Pytts now leases to Perry. Signed: John Perry. Witnessed by Tho. Evans, Joh. Bolton, Rob. Lane. Dated 21 June, 26 Charles II.

436. 1675. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard to Henry Smyth of Edwin Loach, yeoman, Joane his wife, and Sarah daughter of John Mathew the younger of Stoke Bliss, spinster, for £30 and 2s. a year, of nine acres of land in Collington for their three natural lives.

437. 1676. Lease from James Pytts to Henry Dolphin of Collington, yeoman, Melissa his wife, and Anne their daughter, for £66 and £1 a year, of Rowbery tenement previously belonging to the farm of Collington. Dated 30 January, 28 Charles II.

438. 1677. Lease from James Pytts to John Smyth of Edwin Ralph, in consideration of the surrender of a lease from Pytts to Smyth, Susan his late wife, and Mary their daughter, of the same property to Smyth and his wife Elizabeth for 99 years at a rent of 26s. 8d. Dated 2 April, 29 Charles II.

439. 1678. Lease from James Pytts to Thomas Smith of Collington for £240 and £3 a year of the farm of Collington and other lands for the lives of himself, his now wife Mary, and Mary wife of James Lingen of Kyre Parva. Dated 16 April, 30 Charles II.

440. 1679. Lease from James Pytts of Kyer Wyard to John Holland of Butterley, Miller, Jane his wife and Henry their son, of Walle Towne Mill for £30 and 20s. a year. Signed: John Holland. Witnessed by Sam Evans, Phil. Barton. Dated 28 February, 31 Charles II.

441. 1679. Lease from James Pytts to Thomas Burwall of Butterley, yeoman Anne his wife and Edward their son, of the farm of Butterley and the Meene meadow for £100 and a yearly rent of £22, 2 couple of good hens at Shrovetide, 6 young geese at the feast of St. John the Baptist and 1 couple of good capons at the feast of our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to be paid at the manor house of the said James Pytts of Kyer Wyard. Dated 8 February, 31 Charles II.

442. 1682. Lease from James Pytts to Anthony Rowdon of Rowdon in the parish of Bromyard, Esquire, and George Evans son of Thomas Evans of Thornbury clerk, of the tenement he now occupies, the Round Pool and the Church Pool for 99 years in consideration of his delivering up a lease dated 1678, £90, and 40s. a year. Signed: George Evans. Witnessed by Rich. Powell, Job Cowper, Thomas Weston. Dated 13 March, 35 Charles II.

443. 1683. Lease from James Pytts to John Smith of Edwin Ralph, in consideration of the surrender of a lease dated 2 April, 29 Charles II. (1677), for 99 years, of the Upper lands in the parish of Collington, which formerly belonged to the farm of Collington where Matthew Barrow, gent., deceased, lived, and also the Ox Leasow, the Cow Leasow and the hop-yard therein, Fernybatch field, West meadow, and Beare meadow, for 99 years at 40s. a year. Dated 1 May, 35 Charles II.

444. 1683. Lease from James Pytts to Philip Barrett, Anne Barrett, and Thomas Barrett, of a messuage called the Norgates for £90 and 20s. a year, and a couple of fat hens at Shrovetide. Dated 23 August, 35 Charles II.

445. 1684. Lease from James Pitts of Kyre to George Evans of Edwyn Ralph and Elizabeth his wife of two pools called Round Pool and Church Pool, and a messuage and tenement in the occupation of Thomas Evans of Thornbury, clerk, and Mary his wife, after the decease of Thomas, in consideration of the surrender of a lease made between James Pytt, Anthony Rowdon of Rowdon, Esquire, and George Evans, and a yearly rent of 40s. Signed: George Evans, Elizabeth Evans. Witnessed by Phil. Barton, Phi. Evans, Willi. X Turble. Dated 29 May, 1684.

446. 1684. Lease from James Pytts to John Hall of the Court, in the parish of Edvin Raphe, comb maker, and Elizabeth Whichcote of Edvin Rafe, of the house in which he dwells at a yearly rent of 16s. 8d., in consideration of the surrender of a lease dated 22 February, 1678. Witnessed by George Mazy, Phil. Barrow.

447. 1691. Lease from Samuel Pytts of Kyre Wyard to John Hall of Edwyn Ralphe of the lord's meadows in Edwyn Ralphe, for £10 a year for 21 years. Signed: John Hall. Witnessed by Tho. Yapp and Phi. Barton. Dated 5 March, 1691.

Memorandum endorsed, dated 4 September, 1697, saying that John Hall had broken up part of the meadow land and converted it into hop-ground without the consent of Samuel Pytts, and therefore agreed to pay an additional £4 a year.

Seal of arms, three boar's heads.

448. 1691. Lease from Francis Rawlins, gent., of the City of London, to John Perry of Collington, yeoman, and his three sons, John, James, and Francis, of the cottage called the Ball Hill in Collington, for £18 and a rent of 10s. a year. Signed: John X Perry. Dated 5 January, 3 William and Mary.

449. 1692. Indenture between Alice Yeomans of Butterley in Edwin Ralph, widow, Humphrey Yeomans of Butterley, her son,

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451. No date. Grant in fee from Andrew de Gramanton to Geoffrey, son of Robert, son of Thomas le Rede, of one acre of his land in the field of Gramanton, between his land and the land of Matilda, relict of Hugh Rondul, and stretching from the land which was Robert Haleward's to the road called Bechamwey, by a rent of one silver penny a year at the feast of Michael. Witnessed by Richard de Stocton, Richard de Paolnshale, Robert de Bronl, Ralph de Hamenasse, William Clericus.

Seal, fragment of green wax, with part of the legend, FILIO, very clear.

452. 1310. Grant in fee from Thomas Canton of Aysshe to Simon Pyre of the same and Sibilia his wife of one acre of land in the fee of Aysshe, lying in Smythedene, between the lands of the said Simon and of Geoffrey the shoemaker. Witnessed by Richard Devile, Adam de la Ferne, Nicholas le Blak, William Coterel de Weston, Hugh de Boraston, clerk. Dated at Aysshe, Sunday the eve of St. Milburga, 3 Edward II.

Portion of a *seal* of green wax.

453. 1360. Grant in fee from John de Brugge to William le Marscal of Leom[inster] of one acre of land in Hamenassche, which lies in a field called Cattesbrayn at Aylmeres dych, between the lands of Walter Aut (?) and Agnes Andrew, and stretching from the donor's land to the highway leading from Hamenasche to Whyte, to hold by the services due to the lord of the fee. Witnessed by John de Penebrugge, Knight, John Hakelut, Roger Berde, William de Henor, Hugh Armyet. Dated Sunday after St. Barnabas, 34 Edward III.

Seal. The Virgin and Child, within a legend.

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and Samuel Pyttes of Kyar Wyard, reciting that he leased on 20 November, 1658, to Roger Yeomans his wife, and Humphrey their son in Edwin Ralph during their three natural lives 26s. 8d. a year and the best beast by each life, and witnessing that for £100 he had delivered up the said lease and Pytts the aforesaid Over House for Christmas. Dated 13 April, 4 Willm.

450. 1698. Lease from Sir John Pye and Carrina his wife
Pye Corner in Collington, yeoman, to hold for the term of
the fields and hop-grounds and capital lord of the fee and after
Halfepenny Plecks, containing and the heirs of his body. But
years, at £8 a year. Dated 13 April, 4 Willm. III. The premises are to remain to John Hugyns
and the heirs of their bodies lawfully

...right heirs of Roger Hugyns for ever.
Summers, Tuesday in the Feast of St. Nicholas
and Alic

John Hyggyns of Trupulton and Alice
 Hyggyns his son and Joan his wife of all their
 Walford within the Lordship of Wygge-
 Storks within the said Lordship; and in
 his lands and tenements within the fee of
 Hereford and Wyggemoreslond; to hold
 and Joan his wife and the heirs of their body
 of the capital lord of the fee, whom failing the
 shall revert to the right heirs of John Hyggyns.
 John Hasley, armiger, Richard Marlow, William
 Dated at Trupulton (day omitted) February

Indication between William Procter Clinton and
of London of the one part, and Sir Henry Jerningham

vice-chamberlain to the Queen's Highness's household, and captain of her grace's guard, and lady Frances his wife of the other part, being a demise from Proctor to Sir Henry and Lady Frances of the scite (*sic*) of the manor of Ivington, co. Hereford. Dated 10 March, 1 and 2 Philip and Mary.

458. 1555. Indenture between Sir Henry Jerningham, Knt., and James Warncombe of Ivington co. Hereford. Whereas King Edward VI. by letters patent in 1549, dated July 13, 3 Edward VI., demised to Warncombe the manor of Ivington with the tithes, it is now agreed that Warncombe shall assign the above to William Proctor and that Proctor shall assign to Jerningham and his wife Frances. Dated 6 March, 1 and 2 Philip and Mary.

459. 1571. Exemplification of a recovery, dated Michaelmas 12 and 13 Elizabeth, between Anthony Viscount Montague, Sir William Cordell, Sir Christopher Heydon, Sir Thomas Cornwallis, and Leonard Dacre, against Sir Henry Jerningham of the Manor of Ivington and lands and tithes in Ivington, co. Hereford. Sealed 21 November, 13 Elizabeth.

460. 1590. Indenture between Edward Pytt of Kyer and Henry Jernegan of Coffey, co. Norfolk. Edward Pytt stands bound by a statute of the Staple bearing date with this to Henry Jernegan in the sum of £1,200, but if £600 is paid before 2 February next at Pytt's dwelling house at Kyer the recognisance shall be void. Witnessed by Thomas Rogers, W. Godfrey, Richard Green, Scrivener, Richard Chamber, Thomas Meast. Dated last day of May, 32 Elizabeth.

Seal, the arms of Jerningham.

461. 1590. Similar deed securing £500 to be paid by Pytt to Jernegan on June 24, 1592, on the fontstone of the church called Temple Church in Flete street, London, in which case the recognisance was to be void. Witnesses as before. Dated last day of May, 32 Elizabeth.

Seal, as on previous deed.

462. 1590. Similar deed securing the payment of £300 on 2nd February, 1591, on the font stone of the Temple Church in Fleet Street. Same witnesses. Dated 31 May, 32 Elizabeth.

Seal, as on previous deeds.

These three deeds with the bonds under the statutes staple referred to in them, all dated last day of May, 32 Elizabeth, are joined together¹.

463. 1590. Exemplification of a fine passed in Easter term 32 Elizabeth, 1590, between Edward Pytt, armiger, plaintiff, and Henry Jernagan alias Jerningham, armiger, deforciant, of the Manor of Ivington and lands and tenements therein, which deforciant released to plaintiff for £400. Sealed 6 May, 32 Elizabeth.

464. 1599. Grant by Edward Pytt and James Pytt his son and heir, in consideration of a marriage of James with Maria, daughter of Arthur Heveningham of Kettrington, in the county of Norfolk, of the Manor of Ivington, in the county of Hereford, Ivington's Mill, and lands in the parishes of Ivington, Breerley, Purbyn, Warton, Stagbach, Leominster, Cholstrey, in the county of Hereford, to be held by Arthur Heveningham and Thomas Wilforde, Knights; after the death of Edward Pytt the premises to go to the use of James and Maria and their heirs male. Signed: Edward Pytt. Witnessed by Jno. Somesett (?), Joh. Numan, George Parkyns, T. Empston; Ric. Greene, Ric. Wotton. Dated 8 June, 41 Elizabeth.

Seal, Pytts' arms and quarterings.

Endorsed by Edward Pytts, "My daughter Pytte's jointure."

465. 1599. A feofment by Edward Pytts, being the marriage settlement of Sir James Pytt. On the proposed marriage of his son and heir James Pytts and Mary Heveningham, daughter of Sir Arthur Heveningham of Ketteringham, Norfolk, Knight, and for making a jointure he grants to Sir Arthur Heveningham and Sir Thomas Wilforde of Heddinge, in Kent, Knight, the scite of the Manor of Ivington in Herefordshire and lands in Breerley, Turbin, Warton, Stagbach, Leominster, and Cholstrey in the county of

¹ These deeds no doubt represent the purchase money for Ivington paid to Jerningham.



Hereford. Signed: Arthur Hveningham, T. Wilford. Dated 8th June, 1599, 41 Elizabeth.

Two seals, 1. Arms of Heveningham, indistinct; 2. Arms of Wilford, Gules, a chevron engrailed between three leopard's heads or; quartering Cornens, argent, a chevron gules between three horns sable.

466. 1605. Roll of the Court Baron of John Vaughan for the manor of Kinnersley, held 14 February, 2 James I. One skin.

467. 1618. Fine in which Robert Brooke, gent., was plaintiff, and Walter Hill and Christabella his wife were deforciant, of one messuage, one toft, and half a virgate of land in Astley, which the said Brooke held of the gift of the said Walter and Christabella for the sum of £41 sterling. Dated 15 James I.

468. 1628. Receipt from Anthony Rous, Clerk of the Pipe, to William Higgins, gent., collector, for £64 12s. 8d. the proceeds of the third of five lay subsidies granted to the King in the third year of his reign, in the Hundred of Wigmore in the County of Hereford, paid 18 November, 4 Charles I., less 32s., expenses of collection certified by the oaths of the Commissioners and sub-collectors at the rate of 2d. in the pound (*sic*). Dated 18 November, 4 Charles I.

469. 1630. Receipt from Thomas Tooke, Auditor of the Court of Wards and Liveries, to Milo Fleetwood, Knight, Receiver General of the Court, for £40 (written vi instead of xl) received in two payments, one dated 13 May, 6 Charles I. and the other 11 February in the same year, from Jeremiah Powell, gent., farmer, of a capital messuage in Ashley [Astley?] in the county of Worcester, and of other parcels of land, now in the hands of the King by reason of the minority of John James, son and nearer heir of John James deceased, as rent for two whole years ending Michaelmas, 6 Charles I., at the rate of £20 a year. Dated 6 Charles I.

470. 1631. Fine between John Wynford, Esquire, and William Williams, gentleman, plaintiffs, and William Higgins, junior, gentleman, and Eleanor his wife, deforciant, of messuages and lands in Tripleton, Wytton, Atferton, Marlow, Leyntwardyne, Kynton, Yeaton, and Orleton. Dated in Hilary Term, 6 Charles I.

471. 1638. Lease from Timothie Tourneur of Shrewsbury, Chief Justice of South Wales, to Thomas Hanbury, of Astley, in the county of Worcester, yeoman, of a leasow called Ockon Grove now in the occupation of Humfrey Pynner, and other lands called Sandie Furlong, Newe Tyndeing, Sedneys, Priest Heales, and the moiety of a meadow over against the dwelling house of Walter Stone in Bullfield; also three acres in Berry field and the moiety of a parcell of ground called the Moores, all in Astley, for seven years at a yearly rent of £6. Signed with the mark of Thomas Hanbury. Witnessed by Fra. Clente, William Thynne, and Thomas Gwyllym. Dated 24 January, 13 Charles I.

One *seal*.

472. 1648. Grant in fee from Griffith Peyto of Kinton, in the parish of Leintwardine, yeoman, and William his son, to John James of Tripelton in the same parish, Esquire, of a parcel of meadow ground called the Feathers, containing $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres, adjoining lands of John James, John Byrd, and Samuel Moore, in exchange for another parcel lying between Teame lane and the Steedfould poole, the longe meadowe, lane and lands of Thomas Holland. Signed: William Peyto. Witnessed by John James, junior, John Davies, Tho. Longford. Dated 3 January, 24 Charles I.

Fragment of a *seal*.

473. 1654. Fragment of a fine in the Court of the Common Bench at Westminster. Between Edward . . . his wife, deforciant, (of property in Wigmore). The aforesaid James and Lucy have acknowledged to be the right of the said Edward . . . And moreover the said James and Lucy . . . will warrant to the aforesaid Edward and his heirs . . . James and Lucy and the heirs of the said Lucy for ever. And for this . . . the said Edward has given to the aforesaid James and . . .

474. 1661. Bond in £200 from John Pettus of Cheston Hall, in the county of Suffolk, Knight, and James Pitts of Kinnersley, in the county of Hereford, Knight, to pay £102 to Gervase Elwes of Stoke next Clare in the county of Suffolk, Baronet. Witnessed by John Hill and John Rogers. Dated 6 July, 13 Charles II.

475. 1673. Injunction by the Court of Chancery to stay proceedings which had been taken by Henry Hope against Higgins James. Date 18 February, 25 Charles II.

476. 1674. Unexecuted deed, being a final concord, in which James Pytts, Lucy his wife, and Anna Smalman, recognise properties in Leominster alias Lempster, Kimbolton, Stockton, Ivington, and Stagbach to be the right of Henry Jeffreys and William Gregory, Esquires. James and Lucy warrant the properties to Henry and William and the heirs of Henry against themselves and the heirs of Lucy. Anna similarly warrants the property to the same Henry William and the heirs of Henry against herself and her heirs. Space left for some day of the month of February, 26 Charles II.

477. 1675. Grant from Scudamore Pytts of the Fulhams, Esquire, and James Pytts of Ivington, gentleman. Scudamore in consideration of the yearly rents, etc., grants the Fulhams, now in the occupation of Scudamore, to James for 21 years, for £60 annually. Signed: Scudamore Pytts. Witnessed by Geo. Hereford, Humphrey Smyth, James Pittes, Tho. Evans. Dated 2 August, 1675.

478. 1678. Subpœna directed to Higgons James to appear in Chancery on the 12th of May next ensuing. Dated at Westminster, 17 February, 31 Charles II. On an engraved form.

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS.

479. 1301. Grant from Alicia widow of William Paternoster in her pure widowhood to William son of William the Smith or Westiton and Alice his wife for 10 shillings of silver one acre of two selions of land with appurtenances lying in the fields of Westiton, of which one selion lies in Marfurlong between the land of Richard Bernard and the land which Thomas le Callue formerly held ; and extending on either head to the land of the said William ; and the other selion lies in Smocland next the land which was formerly that of my father Richard de Suggedone, and stretching as far as the land formerly Richard Hubert's. To hold of the capital lord of the fee, rendering the customary services. Witnessed by Roger de Brumfeld, William son of Richard, Adam son of Osbert, Henry de Brocheuse, William Bernart, and others. Dated at Westiton, Wednesday after Trinity, 29 Edward I.

Good *seal* of green wax, eight-pointed star within an oval legend.

480. 1400. Grant from Thomas Russell of Salop and Joan Nekles of Pyonia Canonorum, widow, next heirs of John Gantron, late vicar of the church of Pyonia Canonorum, to John Cole of the said Pyonia for the term of his life only of all the lands which the said John Gantron had of the gift of Roger Deveros of Mawne in the said Pyonia Canonorum, of which John Gantron alone died seised ; also all those lands which John Gantron, together with Roger le Crompe chaplain and Thomas de Burghop deceased of the gift of Henry Shorye and John le Crompe in Pyonia aforesaid, of which the said John Gantron alone died seised, all which on the death of the said John fell to us as his heirs, to hold for the term of his life only, of the capital lord of the fee, and after his death to remain to Thomas Holgod and John Burghop their heirs and assigns for ever. Witnessed by Richard de Kynvord, Thomas de Lanton, Thomas Godemon, John Webbe, Richard Crompe, and others. Dated at Pyonia, on Sunday in the Feast of S. Leonard, 2 Henry IV.

488. 1638. Indenture of exchange of lands in Kinnersley between William Smallman of Kinnersley and Hugh Bythell of Ayley. Descriptions and boundaries of the lands set out. Witnessed by Francis Bythell, Thomas Langford, John Scott, John Carpenter. Dated 1 May, 1638.

489. 1645. Paper endorsed "Mr. Goodwyn's Will." Dated 1 February, 1645. Leaves his brothers John and Thomas Smith of Huntingfield, co. Suffolk, and the longest liver of them his manor of Cowherne or Much Cowarne, co. Hereford, they paying annually to the poor 52s. out of the rents of the manor. To his nephew and godson, Ralph Fox, his estate of Bahallon, co. Montgomery, which he holds by lease from Somerset Fox, lately deceased. To his servant Lewis William, his warren of Birfield in the honor of Clun, co. Salop, which he holds by lease from Sir Robert Howard, and also a horse or £10, as he chooses. To Edmond Heron of Newark, co. Nottingham, nephew of Dr. Samuel Heron, sometime fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, £40 in remembrance of his uncle's great care as his tutor at the University. To Isabel Langley, for the care of his late wife, £20. To James, Earl of Northampton, a gold ring with a rich white sapphire on which are engraven the arms of his family. To his brother, Sir Thurston Smith, Knight, of Huntingfield, a gold ring or £20. To Robert Milward, son of Sir Thomas Milward, Chief Justice of Chester, the profits arising from his Patent under the Great Seal of England at the office of Examiner in the Court of Council of the Marches of Wales, which he holds for two lives, his own and that of Sir Sampson Eure, Knight. To every one of his servants, especially to Lewis Williams, a year's wages and such of his wearing apparel as is fit for their use. To Robert Charlton of Whitton, co. Salop, his fair gown lined with Russian squirrel. Mrs. Elizabeth Brabazon, sole executrix and residuary legatee. Overseers, Sir Sampson Eure, Sergeant at Law, William Dansey, gentleman.

490. 1660. Certificate under seal from Robert, Bishop of Oxford, dated Thursday, 2 August 1660, in the chapel of Merton College in the University of Oxford, of the admission of John Goode A.M. of

Baliol College to the order of deacon, and his promotion to the order of priest at the same time.

Large oval *seal* of red wax, legend only just visible, which has been placed between leaves of some tree, and portions of these still adhere to it.

491. 1672. Will of Edward Pytts. All his property to Elizabeth his wife and James his son for their lives; after to the heirs of the body of James Pytts lawfully begotten, and in default to his daughters Mercy Bromley and Elizabeth Jeffreys for their lives, after to the heirs of the body of Elizabeth Jeffreys and to his grandchild, William Bromley. In default of such issue to Thomas Stanley the younger, now living with him, and his heirs and assigns for ever; and if the estate should come to him, he should take the name of Thomas Stanley Pytts. To the poor of each parish in which his estate is situated £10. To servants waiting on him at his table and in his chamber 20s. each; to all others 10s. Executors, his wife and son. To his brother, James Pytts, during his life, the rent of his lands in Kyre Wyard in the tenure of Thomas Crumpe. Witnessed by Susanne Jordan, John Holland. Dated 1 November, 1672.

492. 1672. Copy of a Bill in the Exchequer. Sir Heneage Finch, Attorney-General, against James and others, for Mr. Ralph Goodwin's estate on suggestion of his being illegitimate. Michaelmas Term, 24 Charles II.

In contemporary handwriting. In the margin are notes of instruction for drawing up the answer. The bill alleged that Goodwin was illegitimate, and that the value of Cowarne held immediately of the Crown, as of the manor of East Greenwich, was £120 a year. Goodwin, the bill alleges, died, about 14 years ago without issue and without any gift or grant whatsoever, either in his life or by will at the time of his death: wherefore the manor had escheated to the Crown¹. The marginal notes allege that Goodwin was legitimate and born at Ipswich, as appears by the church Register there; that Much Cowarne was never held of the Crown,

¹ What purports to be Goodwin's will is on the opposite page, No. 489. He gives the names of his brothers as Smith. Ralph Goodwin's second wife Elizabeth Brabazon,

of the same surname as his first wife, married as a second husband Higgons James, who married secondly Mercy Pytts.

but of the manor of Bayly Glace, to which the lord paid 6s. 8d. a year; that one Richard Goodwin pleaded to be heir at law; and several other matters.

493. 1674. Lease from James Pytts of Kyre Wyard to Owen Price of Grafton in the parish of Bockleton, yeoman, Elinor his wife, and Elinor their daughter, of Grafton for £24.

494. 1676. Articles agreed upon between James Pytts and Sir Thomas Morgan of Chanston¹ regarding the sale by the latter of the Manor of Kinnersley, with Kinnersley House, the advowson of the church, and all appurtenances, for £5,700, free from all incumbrances except one rent charge of £66 13s. 4d. a year, payable to William Saterthwaite, gent., and his heirs; and excepting out of the conveyance a messuage held for his life by Thomas Edwyns, with the farm appertaining thereto. Several other covenants by the parties. Signed: Ja. Pytts. Witnessed by W. Gregory, Tho. Owen, Abr. Seward, Jas. Wainwright, Phil. Bavoon, Isack Seward. Dated 9 March, 28 Charles II.

495. 1685. Will of James Pytts. His wife Ann Pytts² to "have, hold, and enjoy" all his real property in the counties of Worcester and Hereford, except the lands bequeathed to his kinsman Thomas Stanley³, until Samuel Pytts, his godson, son of James Pytts, grandson, of Scudamore Pytts, late of Ivington, shall be 18 years old, or until her remarriage, whichever shall first happen. After the happening of either of these events Anne Pytts to have £400 a year for her life. To Samuel Pytts all the said estates and to the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten; in default of such to his own heirs male. Testator desired the said Samuel to marry his wife's sister, Sophia Fettiplace⁴; if he refused she was to have £2,000; if she refused, the bequest to be void. If the marriage took place Anne Pytts was to leave the house where testator lived, and hand it over with everything about it to Samuel

¹ See Robinson's *Manors and Mansions of Herefordshire*, pp. 164 and 275.

² Daughter of Sir John Fettiplace.

³ 2nd son of Sir Thomas Stanley by Elizabeth Pytts, aunt of testator.

⁴ Samuel, though married three times, did not marry the lady of the testator's choice; she married Francis Broderick of Langford, co. Berks, and died October 6, 1700.

500. 1705. Warrant to Samuel Pytts, late Sheriff of Worcestershire, to deliver the custody of the County to Thomas Bach, newly appointed Sheriff. Names at bottom, Trevor, Milner. Dated 5 December, 4 Anne.

Small heavy *seal* of yellow wax.

501. 1710. Probate of the Will of Thomas Stanley¹ of Ludlow. Mentions a settlement made on his marriage with Anne his now wife, relating to premises in Lyonshall and Staunton upon Arrow in the county of Hereford, which were the inheritance of the said Anne, which were settled on him and his issue; in case of there being no issue he leaves the property to his wife Anne, subject to the payment of £10 a year to his sister Elizabeth. Mentions lands in Leominster and Kimbolton and lands in the county of Radnor which are his own property, and after charging them with a jointure for his wife, he leaves them to Martin Sandys of Ombersley and his issue, in default of which, to the use of his two sisters Anne and Elizabeth and the survivors of them, and after their deceases to Samuel Pytts of Kyrewyard, for ever. Mentions that he has at present one daughter, Mary, to whom he bequeaths £600, and if he has more younger children the whole of his estate was to be divided. Anne his dear wife to be the sole executrix. Dated 23 February, 1710.

502. 1717. Probate (fragment) of the will of Admiral Caldwell². Mentions his sister, Elizabeth Davy, his sister, Mary Hall, his nephew, George Caldwell of the City of London. He leaves £200 for building a tomb over the grave of himself and his wife in the parish church of Birtsmorton. He mentions his brother George Caldwell. He gives £10 to the poor of Birtsmorton, £5 to the poor of Berrow, and £10 to the poor of Pendock. Leaves all his books to the Right Hon. Lord Coote. Leaves his wife his residence, subject to a payment after her decease of £100 to each of his nephews, George Draper and Bonham Caldwell, "and I wish I

¹ Son of Sir Thomas Stanley of Alderley, Bart., by his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Sir James Pytts. He lived at Kyer with his uncle Pytts, who mentions him as his

'adopted' nephew. See Nos. 491 and 495.

² Admiral William Caldwell was 3rd husband of Lady Bellomont, the 3rd wife of Edmund Pytts.

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FROM 28 EDWARD I. TO 19 EDWARD II.,
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INTRODUCTION¹.

THE present part of the Worcestershire *Inquisitiones post mortem* carries them down to 1326. They add considerably to the materials for Worcestershire History. Some of the facts give rise to questions not easy to answer, others throw light on several obscure points. In the first class are such as from what Hundred in the County could the Someries be entitled to take the profits² of the court, in the second the proof of a long disputed point, the existence of a Chapel of St. Lawrence in Worcester; a garden of the Preceptor of St. Wulstan is said to be next the Chapel of St. Lawrence³. Unfortunately this does not fix the site of the Chapel.

These Inquisitions contain other matters of importance; they record the break up of two of the great estates in the County, that of the Someries in 1323, when on the death of John de Someri, without issue, his estates were divided between his sister Margaret, the wife of John de Sutton, who took the town of Dudley to that family⁴, and her sister Joan, the wife of Thomas Bottecourt, who took the Manors of Welley, Cradley, Northfield, and Oldswinford, thus causing the Lords of Dudley to be without any considerable landed estate in the County.

The other estate was that of the Clares. The last of the Earls of Gloucester and Hertford, Gilbert de Clare, was killed at Banockburn in 1314; as he left no issue his estates went among his three sisters⁵: Eleanor, the wife of the younger Hugh de Spencer; Margaret, the widow of Peter de Gaveston; and Elizabeth, the wife of John de Burgh. Although the Clares were not among the larger County landowners, yet their influence was very considerable; the "Red Earl," the father of the last Earl, whose Inquisition is here given⁶, had been regarded as the head of the English Baronage, and from his marriage with the King's sister, and his vast estates in various counties, was a power in the land.

¹ When a reference is preceded by I., it refers to the former part of the Inquisitions published in 1894. If without the I. it is to the present part.

² I. p. 34.

³ p. 88.

⁴ p. 115.

⁵ p. 49.

⁶ pp. 46, 50.

The break up of this family had a lasting effect on the County, and was an important factor in the Revolution under Edward II.

The great Worcestershire landowners during the time these Inquisitions cover were few. The Church was still by far the largest and most powerful. It possessed a controlling if not a supreme influence in three out of the five Hundreds; and in addition many of the landowners were tenants of Church lands holding under the different ecclesiastical bodies. For instance, the Earl of Warwick held Manors under the Bishop of Worcester, the Abbots of Evesham, Pershore, and Westminster. Next to the Church probably came the King; it is not, however, easy to say what was the exact extent of Crown lands in the County. The King was amongst other Manors Lord of Feckenham, Inkberrow, Kidderminster, Bromsgrove, and King's Norton, which covered a large area of Mid-Worcestershire. The extent of forest land in the County also largely increased the influence and power of the Crown.

The Inquisitions shew to some extent what land was held of the King "per baroniam." A study of these brings out that some Manors in the County were "members" of Baronies elsewhere, as Abberley of Colwent¹. The chief holdings "per baroniam" seem to have been—

*Dudley*². The town of Dudley was held of the King in chief by barony.

*Burford*³. This Barony was held in chief of the King by the Mortimers of Richards Castle, and contained several Worcestershire Manors, such as Wychbold and Cotheridge.

*Colwent*⁴. This Barony of the Tonies included Abberley among its members. It was held by the service of finding one man at Colwent with bow and arrow for twenty days whenever there should be war in Wales. It is doubtful if any other of its members were in this County.

*Clifford*⁵. The honour of Clifford was held by the Earls of Lancaster. It included the Manor of Tenbury, which was held by Robert de Clifford at the service of 1½ Knight's fees.

*Salwarp*⁶. In the Inquisition on the death of Guy, 5th Earl of Warwick, he was found to have held the Manor of Salwarp "per baroniam." It was an adjunct to the tenure of the Castle

¹ p. 38. ² I. p. 35. ³ p. 10. ⁴ p. 38. ⁵ p. 43. ⁶ p. 58.

of Worcester, but the inquisitions give no evidence how they came to be united.

*Wigmore*¹. When Ralph de Mortimer defeated "Eadric the wild," Wigmore Castle was granted to him, and was held by the Mortimers "per baroniam." Bewdley was a member of Wigmore; how it came to be so does not appear, but it is clear that Wigmore was held by barony; Edmund de Mortimer, who was wounded at the battle of Buildwas in 1304, sat in Parliament as the first Baron Mortimer of Wigmore².

Doubtless some of the other Manors in the County were members of some barony, but they do not so appear in the present Inquisitions. Possibly the fact of a landowner holding part of his lands "per baroniam" may have led to all his lands being regarded as members of his Barony, and may account for places like Cotheridge and Salwarp being so held.

Before considering the Inquisitions further, a word should be said as to the mode of taking them, as otherwise they are almost incomprehensible, and there appears to be a good deal of repetition. A large landowner generally had at least three distinct classes of property. (1) He had Manors which were usually, but not always, held direct from the Crown. If the landowner was a person who would have property of this class, an Inquisition was taken as to what Honours and Manors he held of the King on the day he died. If the Inquisitions taken on the death of Guy, Earl of Warwick, are looked at, it will be seen that the first ten relate to Manors the deceased held, and the Castles of Worcester and Elmley³. (2) If the person held no Manor of the Crown, but only lands, then a writ was directed to inquire what lands he held, and from whom, on the day of his death. This shews why there may be what at first sight appears a repetition. Guy, Earl of Warwick, held lands, but not from the Crown. Then, as now, the tax collector desired to throw his net as wide as possible, so he made separate returns as to these lands. This will explain returns like that⁴ as to the city of Worcester, where he held not Manors but lands. (3) The third class was when the deceased held property that was neither manor nor land, and so did not come within either of the above classes, property such as Ad-

¹ p. 12. ² Summoned by Writ 1295. See Complete Peerage, V. 379.

³ See p. 56 to p. 65.

⁴ See p. 72.

vowsons¹ and Knight's fees, or where land had been granted or leased to some one to hold from him; he was not in possession of the land, only of the rents or services for the land. The system therefore involved in the case of a large landowner at least three separate Inquests; in the case of a small owner they were usually amalgamated into one.

For the period of these Inquisitions the great landowners of the County as disclosed by them were:—

In the north the Someries. By something that seems to have been more than an accident, in Worcestershire in the first three generations the estates acquired by the Normans vested in females. The Castle of Dudley and the estates held with it formed no exception, and went on the death of Fitz Ansculf, the holder mentioned in Domesday, to his daughter Beatrice. She married Fulk Paganell, and took the estates into that family; the son and grandson of Fulk succeeded; then came the indispensable female, Hawysia, who married John de Someri, taking the estates into that family. The Someries held the estates for some years. Roger de Someri died in 1272, and in 1273² an inquisition of his estate was taken. He was found to hold the Manor of Dudley, which was a member of the Barony of Dudley. He also held the Manor of Welley and the little Manor of Cradley. Some idea of the area of the Manor of Dudley is given; it extended to the boundary of the Manors of Sedgely and Kingswinford, in other words, to the Worcestershire boundary. The heir was another Roger de Someri, then aged 18. This Sir Roger de Someri died at 36 in 1291³, and an inquisition was taken on his death. In addition to the manors held by Sir Fulk, this Sir Roger is found to have held the townships of Middleton and Belbroughton; William de Beauchamp holding Belbroughton from Sir Roger; Henry de Hagley held of him the township of Hagley; Sir Roger also had the Manors of Pedmore, Churchill, Oldswinford, and Warley Wigorn. His heir was John de Someri, aged 13 in 1293. He died in 1322, married, but without issue⁴; his property was therefore divided between his two sisters, Margaret and Joan; Margaret married John de Sutton, and took the town of Dudley with its appurtenances, worth £41 6s. 9½d. Joan, who had married Thomas Bottecourt, took the Castle and

¹ pp. 70, 103.

² I. p. 16.

³ I. p. 34.

⁴ p. 112.

Manors of Welley and Northfield, worth £38 4s. 4½d., the Manor of Cradley, worth £7 8s. 6½d. She also took the Manor of Oldswinford subject to the life interest of John de Someri's widow, and Knight's fees in Hagley, Pedmore, Frankley, Churchill, Belbroughton, Selley, and Northfield. This partition was an important event in the history of the north of the County, as it marks the breaking up of the great Dudley estate. Henceforth the owners of Dudley Castle held the town of Dudley and little more; so the Suttons never became one of the great landowning families, while the Bottecourt share becoming further subdivided, there was never after 1322 any one great family that ruled the northern part of the Halfshire Hundred.

The southern part of the Halfshire Hundred included Kidderminster, and the Inquisitions shed a good deal of light on the history of the Kidderminster landowners. The King was Lord of the Manor; Robert Burnel, Bishop of Bath, held of the King as part of his private estate certain houses and lands, doing such service in time of war as the King might reasonably ask¹. The Bishop's heir was Philip Burnel; he died in 1294, holding in addition to the lands of the Bishop another messuage and lands at Eymore Dirrton within the manor, and a rent from lands at Dunclent. Philip Burnel's heir was found to be his son Edward, aged 6. The total value of the Kidderminster property is given as £16 12s. 1d.² In 1315, on the death of Edward Burnel, he was found to hold practically the same lands, and they were then said to be worth £15 7s. 8½d. In 1299 an Inquisition was taken under a writ *ad quod damnum*, to find if John de Wotton could assign 10 librates of land in Kidderminster of the value of £10 to John, his son and heir, and Katharine, his wife, and the heirs of John. It was found that it might be done³. In 1300 an inquisition was taken of the lands held by John de Wotton, in right of his late wife Ella Bisset. It was found he held a house and a carucate of land in the Manor of Kidderminster of the King worth £10 1s. 9d., and that his son John, aged 21 and upwards, was his heir⁴.

In 1307 an Inquisition was taken as to what John Bisset held at his death, and it was found he held a house and land, and had a number of tenants. The total value was £30 2s. 0½d., and

¹ I. p. 44.² I. p. 50.³ I. p. 65.⁴ p. 2.

John Bisset, the son, aged 6, was the next heir¹. This Inquisition proves that Kidderminster was not then a place of much importance. One tenant, Peter of Agberrow, held by homage and royal service; the other 27 free tenants paid small yearly rents, except Henry de Bruneshope, who gave a pair of golden spurs or their value 4*d.*²; 63 free burgesses held by socage, 28 customary tenants, copyholders, paid rent and did certain services, ploughing, hedging, mowing, carrying hay, and making hurdles³. They had also to pay Poll money 10*s.*, and medue silver 40*d.*

The Royal Manor of King's Norton was held by John de Mortimer, of Wigmore⁴, with the Manor of Bromsgrove, under a Royal grant, paying £10 a year for it, but as it formed part of the dower of Margaret Mortimer, his wife, he got nothing for it during her life.

Hugh de Belne held some lands in King's Norton of the King, and some at Alvechurch of the Bishop⁵.

Practically these Inquisitions as to Dudley, Kidderminster, King's Norton and Bromsgrove, cover the part of the County north of the Lickey Hills so far as the Inquisitions shew it. The Manors of Dudley, Oldswinford, Cradley, Weoley, Northfield, King's Norton, and Bromsgrove included the larger part. There were other smaller manors, but the Inquisitions throw little light on them. It was the King and the Someries who were the great people in the north of the County until the end of the first quarter of the fourteenth century, then the King remained the one great owner. A trace of his ownership still exists in the names King's Norton, Kingswinford, and Rowley Regis. A rough comparison of the places may be made.

Manor or Place.		Free tenants. No.	Rents.			Customary tenants. No.	Rents.			Total.		
			£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Welley	-	19	6	18	6	...	12	13	0	19	12	6
Cradley	-	1	1	2	0	19	...			...
Oldswynford	-	32	...			8	...			9	0	0
Northfield	-	...	19	8	5	...	13	6	8	32	15	1
King's Norton	-	}	...	...	...	...	100	0	0	100	0	0
Bromsgrove	-											

If it is assumed that the population of the other manors is about the same as that of those above given, it makes about 230,

¹ p. 15.² p. 16.³ p. 19.⁴ p. 108.⁵ p. 107.

and as the tenants must be presumed to be householders, and to have had families, if the modern rule of 5 to a house is taken, it would make the population about 1,150. Adding another 500 for places left out, it would make the population of the County north of Lickey Hills in the first quarter of the fourteenth century about 1,650 or under 2,000.

Next to the north proper comes the most interesting, but the most complicated, portion of the County so far as these Inquisitions deal with it—the Forest of Feckenham. Here several landowners appear with very differing rights. At Feckenham itself there are first those who held land in connection with certain Forestal offices, as Robert de Parco, who kept the King's Park¹, for which he was allowed a virgate of land. He held 2 virgates from the Abbot of Bordesly and 3 virgates from Robert the Knight of Bradley, and he also had reclaimed 6 acres from the forest.

Robert Streech², or Estrech, held a virgate of land in Feckenham for acting as woodward to the King. He also had the profits of lawing the dogs.

William Shurnake³ held a bailiwick (what its precise nature was is not stated) of the King in chief.

Richard Estrech, who died 1271, held the bailiwick of the Forestry of La Berse and Bentleigh, worth 4s. a year⁴.

From time to time an Inquisition⁵ was held to ascertain whether the King's houses, buildings, parks, vivaries, weirs, and fisheries within the Forest were in good order and condition.

When the Inquisitions were taken within the Forest, the verderers and other officers of the Forest acted as jurors; we thus get the names of some of the Forest officers.

In 1294, John de Sulnestrode was warden of the Forest, and three of the verderers were Edmund de Grafton, Richard de Huddington, and Robert Pippard⁶.

In 1301, Ralph Strech, the son of Robert Strech, died; at the Inquisition⁷ on his death it was found that he held much the same lands as his father, but he seems to have lost the lands his father held of the Countess of Lincoln, as he is said to hold nothing of any one but the King⁸. This Ralph Strech left as his heir, Robert, his son, aged 20.

¹ I. p. 4.

² I. p. 5; p. 3.

³ I. p. 7.

⁴ L. p. 11.

⁵ L. p. 17.

⁶ I. p. 52.

⁷ p. 3.

⁸ p. 4.

The King was Lord of the Manor of Feckenham, and a number of the tenants appear to have held from him in chief; which to some extent simplified matters in Feckenham. The adjoining Manor of Inkberrow is more difficult to describe.

In 1262¹, the Countess of Lincoln was Lady of the Manor. She was Margaret, only daughter of Hawyse, sister and one of the coheiresses of Randolph de Blondeville, Earl of Chester and Lincoln. Margaret married first John de Laci; he died in 1240. She then married, in 1243, Walter Marshal, 5th Earl of Pembroke. On her death, without issue, in 1267 her estates became vested in Joan, only daughter of Warrine de Montchesney, the wife of William de Valence, Earl of Pembroke. On his death at Bayonne, where he was killed by the French in 1296, it was found² he held the Manor of the King by a Knight's fee and a half in right of his wife Joan, that his heir was Aymer de Valence, aged over 21, and the Manor was worth £22 10s. 8d.

Joan, Countess of Pembroke, died in 1307³. It was found that she held the Manor of Inkberrow in chief of the King as of the office of Marshal of England by Knight service; the Manor was then worth only £10 3s. 1d., or less than half what it was at her husband's death. Her son, Aymer de Valence, was found to be her heir. At the Inquisition taken after the death of Aymer de Valence at Compiègne in 1324⁴, it was found that he held the Manor of Inkberrow with the advowson of Inkberrow for his life by demise from John Hastings, Lord of Abergavenny; on Aymer's death it was to revert to the Lord of Abergavenny, who held it from the Bishop of Hereford, who held it from the Bishop of Worcester. John Hastings became from the marriage of his mother, Isabel, the sister of Aymer de Valence, coheir to his maternal grandfather, Aymer.

This last finding seems clearly wrong, as in Domesday⁵ the Church of Hereford is stated to hold Inkberrow, and in the same year, 1325⁶, when John Hastings, Lord of Abergavenny, died, it was found that he held the Manor of Inkberrow of the Bishop of Hereford by the service of one Knight's fee. The heir of John Hastings was Laurence, his son, aged 6. The Inquisition on the death of Aymer de Valence⁷ states that the heirs of

¹ I. p. 7. ² p. 1. ³ p. 28. The Complete Peerage, VI. 206, says before 1307-8.

⁴ p. 116. ⁵ Worcester Vic. C. H., I. p. 299^a. ⁶ p. 121. ⁷ pp. 118, 119.

Aymer de Valence were Isabel, his sister, who had married John de Hastings, and his son John with Joan and Elizabeth Somerye¹.

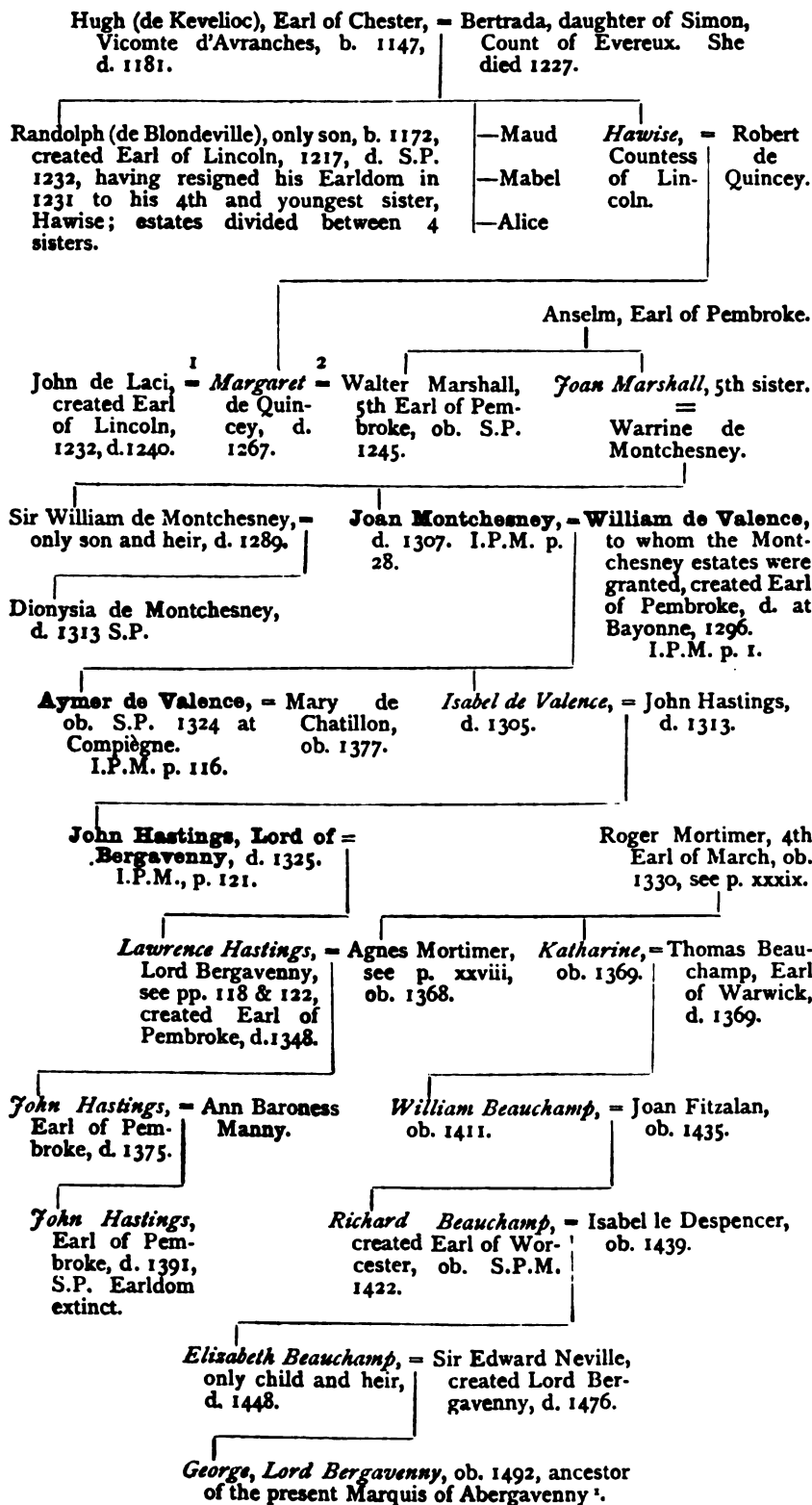
Aymer de Valence had other Worcestershire property. Another Inquisition was taken at Gloucester², and it was found he had the Manors of Staunton, Hill and Spetchley. In the partition Inkberrow went to the son, but Staunton, Hill and Spetchley are divided between Elizabeth and Joan.

It is almost impossible to clear up these difficulties on the present evidence, but the most reasonable explanation seems to be that there were two Manors at Inkberrow, the one the great Manor, which in Domesday was found as belonging to the Bishop of Hereford, and with which the advowson of Inkberrow was held. The Bishops of Hereford were certainly the patrons of Inkberrow for years. The Bishops probably granted leases of the Manor to different persons, as appears here² to John Hastings, Lord of Abergavenny. Habington³ says that from the Hastings' family Inkberrow went to the Nevilles, Barons of Abergavenny, and that they as Lords of the Manor presented only to the Vicarage, leasing the Parsonage and prebendary to Hereford. The Manor remained with the Nevilles, and is still the property of the Marquis of Abergavenny, who is now the patron of the living.

Little Inkberrow was a royal Manor, and was annexed to the office of Marshal of England, and was so held by William de Valence, Earl of Pembroke, in 1296⁴, and by Joan, Countess of Pembroke, in 1307⁵, as of the office of Marshal of England by Knight's service. On the death of Joan, the office of Earl Marshal lapsed to the Crown, but the estates were divided among the coheirs. In some way the Manor became detached from the office of Earl Marshal and became part of the Warwick estates, and was extended as such on the death of Earl Guy⁶. It appears to have been very intermixed with the Earl of Pembroke's Manor, as the Earl is there found to have held the meadows, with the chief pleas and perquisites. The Bishop of Hereford retained the presentation of Inkberrow to a much later date; in 1353 the King presented on account of the See of Hereford being vacant to the prebend of the Church of Inkberrow³.

To make the matter more intelligible, the following pedigree, shewing the descent from the Earls of Chester and Lincoln to the Nevilles, is given.

¹ pp. 118, 122. ² p. 117. ³ Vol. I. p. 315. ⁴ p. 1. ⁵ p. 28. ⁶ p. 85.



¹ Persons whose names are in heavier type have Inquisitions in this Part. Names in italics shew the descent of the Manor of Inkberrow.

The Manors of Feckenham and Inkberrow being in the Crown made the Crown Manors in the Forest extend across to Bromsgrove, another large Crown Manor. This going west joined on to Chaddesley Corbet and Belbroughton, also Crown Manors, and they extending to Kidderminster, another Crown Manor, reached to the Severn, so forming a belt of Crown Manors stretching from the Severn to the Warwickshire border. North of this belt lay the large part of the Halfshire Hundred, already described, and south of it the great area of the lands of the Church.

There was one great landowner who held lands to the south of this belt of Royal Manors both as tenant of the Crown and tenant of the Church, Guy, Earl of Warwick, the "Black cur of Arden," as he was called by Gaveston. The Inquisitions and extents on his death in 1316 occupy no less than 50 pages of this part. He held some manors direct from the Crown, and others from the Church. He is a good specimen of the feudal Baron of the time. His father, William, who was, through his mother, Isabel Mauduit, the first Earl of Warwick, of the Beauchamp family, died in 1298; this Guy was then 27. During the life of Edward I. he was fairly quiet, but after Edward II.'s accession he joined the opposition to the Court, or rather to Gaveston, and was one of the adherents of the Earl of Lancaster. His position and his estates made him a person of consequence, and the contempt with which he was treated by Gaveston did not incline him to the Court. It was probably a good thing for Edward II. that Guy died at 45.

The Inquisition at the death of William, Earl of Warwick, in 1298¹, found he held from the King:—

	£	s.	d.
The Castle of Worcester, the Manor of Salwarp, a salt pit and bullary in Droitwich "per baroniam" - - - - -	24	16	7
The County of Worcester at a fee farm rent of -	13	0	0
1. This was paid — To the King direct, £3 11s. 8d. on the King's behalf. To the nuns of Wroxhall, £4. To the Abbot of Cormeilles, £3 15s. To the Abbot of Gloucester, £1. To the Templars 1 mark.			

The Earl of Warwick held from the Church:—

(1) Abbot of Evesham—			
Acton Beauchamp - - - - -	10	3	0

¹ I. p. 59.

(2) Abbot of Westminster—	£	s.	d.
Naunton Beauchamp - - - -	13	4	0
Comberton - - - - -	8	9	2½
(3) Bishop of Worcester—			
Elmley Castle - - - - -	28	15	3
Stoulton - - - - -	29	9	4½
(4) Abbot of Pershore—			
Wadborough - - - - -	5	0	3½
a total of £132 17s. 8½d.	£132	17	8½

Comberton was part of the dower of Maud, Countess of Warwick ¹ and on her death in 1301 it was found to be of the value of £3 7s. 5d.²

In 1316 Guy, Earl of Warwick, died ³, and the estates he held at the time of his death shew a marked increase on those of his father, and a proportionate increase in the Warwick influence in the County.

As to Manors :— £ s. d.

From the King he held—

The office of Sheriff, with the fines and profits of the Hundreds of Dodingtre and Halfshire - - - -	}	29	9	8
The Castle of Worcester, with the custody of the prison of the Castle - -				
The Manor of Salwarp, salt pit, and bullary in Droitwich ⁴ - - - - -		39	4	9½
Abberley (in right of his wife, Alice) ⁵ -		18	1	11

From the Church :—

Abbot of Evesham—

Acton Beauchamp ⁶ - - - - -	16	13	9½
Sheriff's Lench ⁷ - - - - -	11	0	4

Abbot of Westminster—

Naunton Beauchamp ⁸ - - - - -	18	1	0½
Comberton ⁹ - - - - -	20	17	3½
Pirton ¹⁰ - - - - -	10	1	9½

¹ She was the widow of Gerald de Furnival. ² p. 4. ³ p. 56. ⁴ p. 59.

⁵ p. 60. ⁶ p. 56. ⁷ p. 59. ⁸ p. 64. ⁹ p. 63. ¹⁰ p. 56.

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					£	s.	d.
Bishop of Worcester—							
Elmley Castle ¹	-	-	-	-	48	16	1½
Stoulton ²	-	-	-	-	35	7	5½
Abbot of Pershore—							
Wadborough ³	-	-	-	-	3	14	6
					£251	8	8

The Earl of Warwick also held—

37 Knight's fees ⁴ of the annual value of - 150 10 0

These Knight's fees were scattered all over the County, and give some indication of the power of the Earls of Warwick.

Place.		Tenant.	Number.	Value.
				£
Bromsgrove	-	Edmund de Grafton	1	30
Brocton Beauchamp	-	Maude de Beauchamp and John Lovet	½ of 1	1
Cookhill	-	Osbert d'Abitot	...	30
Codley	-	[Thomas of] Codeley	¼ of 1	2
Cofton Hackett	-	Walter de Leycester	½ of 1	5
Cofton Richard	-	Sybil, daughter of John de Cofton Richard	½ of 1	8
Chaceley	-	Prior of Little Malvern	½ of 1	5
Cookseye	-	Walter Fitz Walter	1	21
Dorne	-	John d'Abitot	1	5
Eastbury	-	John de Kekingwich	...	30
Eckington & St. Marreys	-	Peter de St. Marreys	½	2
Fairfield	-	John de Sudley	1	10
Flavel	-	John Lovet and John Hacket	1	11
Hindlip	-	Alexander d'Abitot	1	10
Holt	-	John de Beauchamp	1	30
Hampton [Lovett]	-	John Lovet	1	20
Hampton & Kemmyng- ford	-	Peter le Blound	1	20
Lench Roculf	-	Thomas, son of Wil- liam Roculf	½ of 1	10
Longdon	-	Robert Fitz Edmund	1	10

¹ p. 61.² p. 66.³ p. 65.⁴ p. 103.

Place.	Tenant.	Number.	Value.
			£ s.
Naunton Beauchamp -	Thomas Fitz John -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	5
North Piddle -	Henry de Segrave -	1	20
Pendock -	William Fitz Henry -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	30
Redmarley -	John de Redmarley -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	2
Rushock -	Henry Stormy -	1	20
Shrawley -	[Margaret] Mortimer -	1	20
Shireveheye -	Alexander d'Abitot -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	1
Stockton -	William de Birmingham -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	5
Upton Warrin -	William Fitz Warrin -	$2\frac{1}{2}$	30
Wolfrington -	Walter de Bruly -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	2
Witley -	Walter, son of Walter de Cookseye -	1	10
Wodecote -	John de Bissheppesdon -	$\frac{1}{4}$ of 1	3 10

In addition to these there are 13 cases in which the MS. is illegible or has perished. From the previous Inquisition as to the sub-tenants of the Earl¹ some of them can be restored with confidence.

Place.	Tenant.	Number.	Value.
			£
Westmancote -	William Fitz Henry de Westmancote -	1	20
Croome, Inkberrow, Cookhill -	Osbert d'Abitot -	1	15
Besford -	Alexander de Besford -	1	10
Hill -	Edmund de Grafton -	$\frac{1}{4}$ of 1	5
Powick and Bransford -	Heirs of Walter de Beauchamp -	1	30
Bentley -	Grimbald Pauncesot -	1	20
Ablench -	Simon le Brun -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	15
Grimley -	Richard de Grimley -	1	5
Doverdale -	Heirs of William de Sudynton -	1	15
Wermynndon (Warndon) -	Robert le Braci and	3	30
Madresfield & Leigh -	Preceptor of St. Wul- stan -	1	5
Lulsley and Suckley -	Thomas de Hanley -	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1	10

Place.	Tenant.	Number.	Value.
			£
Lench Roculf -	Thomas de Lench	- ½ of 1	5
Redmarley -	Geoffrey d'Abitot	- 2	20
Knightwick -	Prior of Great Malvern	1	
Little Kyre -	Roger de Mortimer	- ½ of 1	10

It is not clear if some of these are not included in the first list, but it may be taken, even if some of the fees are counted twice over, that the Earl of Warwick was possessed of property in each of these places, thus shewing how widespread was the Warwick influence.

The Earl had also 9 advowsons¹, namely :—

				£	s.	d.
Acton Beauchamp -	-	-	-	5	marks.	
Great Comberton -	-	-	-	3	0	0
Elmley Castle -	-	-	-	10	0	0
Hindlip -	-	-	-	6	marks.	
Lench Roculf -	-	-	-	10	marks.	
Naunton Beauchamp -	-	-	-	10	0	0
Pirton -	-	-	-	10	marks.	
St. Peter's, Worcester -	-	-	-	1	0	0
Salwarp -	-	-	-	20	0	0

As Thomas the son and heir of the Earl of Warwick was only 3½ at his father's death, a series of extents were taken to ascertain in detail the particulars of the Manors and the tenants to which the King would be entitled as Guardian in chivalry of the infant heir. The Inquisition found the value of the property so that the fine due to the King might be paid. The Escheator found the value of each item the King took over. The extents may thus be summarized :—

Manor.	Customary Tenants.	Cottagers.	Villeins.	Free Tenants.
Salwarp -	28	...	12	41
Buley } Madeley }	not given.			
Acton Beauchamp -	39	...	9	37
Sheriff's Lench -	...	4	...	45

¹ pp. 70, 103.

Manor.		Customary Tenants.	Cottagers.	Villeins.	Free Tenants.
Naunton Beauchamp	-	22	...	...	...
Comberton	-	8	2	...	40
Pirton	-	22	...	...	...
Elmley Castle	-	4	21	18	45
Stoulton	-	21	11	...	41
Wadborough	-	...	11	21	39
Bishampton	-	...	...	...	...
Little Inkberrow	-	13	1	...	6
Temple Lawerne	-	10	...	...	17

These Inquisitions and extents bring out some very interesting facts in the history of the County, one or two of which may be mentioned.

1. Although by far the largest landowner in the County, the Earl of Warwick was non-resident. He had two so-called Castles, Elmley (which belonged to the Bishops of Worcester, but which the Earls of Warwick held from them at three-quarters of a Knight's fee) and Worcester, which was held by the service of the County, that is as Sheriff, the King's representative. Elmley is described as being "much out of repair and therefore not valued¹." Worcester is said to be of no yearly value "because it is wholly ruined²." There was therefore good reason why the Earls of Warwick lived at Warwick, and so far as Worcestershire was concerned were represented by their officers.

2. As to the Castle at Worcester. The Inquisition shews that although there was an outer moat formed by the Frog brook, yet there was no inner moat; the ditches were dry; it was found that the herbage in the fosses of the Castle was worth 10*d.* a year³. The theory that the main part of the Castle of Worcester was a "motte" or mound protected by a dry ditch and palisades is much strengthened by this entry that the grass in the fosses was worth a certain annual rent.

It is further to be noted that the Inquisition speaks of the prison *in* the Castle⁴ as being in existence while the Castle was in ruins, thereby shewing that the prison was a distinct and separate building; indicating that the Castle was a series of defensive earthworks, the prison a building inside or adjoining the earthworks.

3. In Domesday is recorded the Complaint of the Sheriff that

¹ p. 61.

² p. 57.

³ p. 58.

⁴ p. 57.

he got no profits from the Hundreds that were in the hands of the Bishop and free from taxes. In 1086 the County was divided into a number of Hundreds; by 1315 they had settled down to the present five, but the reasons mentioned in Domesday why the Sheriff got no profit, the exclusive jurisdiction of the Church, still prevailed.

This the Inquisitions shew, as they find that the Sheriff was the Sheriff of the County and of the Hundreds of Doddingtre and Halfshire¹, but say nothing about Blakenhurst, which was practically the possession of the Abbey of Evesham, Oswaldslow, where the Bishop had exclusive jurisdiction, and Pershore, which was mainly the possession of the Abbeys of Pershore and Westminster.

In the statement of the moneys derived from the Hundreds, fines, chevage², &c., they are limited to the two Hundreds of Doddingtre and Halfshire, thus shewing that the Sheriff still received nothing for what was by far the larger and richer part of the County, except certain fines which are said to be worth 6s. a year³. As the Halfshire Hundred fines were worth 40s. a year, it will be seen how little the Sheriff made, and how true was the Domesday complaint.

The total profits of the Sheriff are given as

amercements and profits of the County	-	26s.
Of the Hundred of Doddingtre	-	18s.
Of the Hundred of Halfshire	-	40s.
Sheriff's tourn in Doddingtre	-	1 mark.
Sheriff's tourn in Halfshire	-	2 marks.
Doddingtre Hundred from Townships without the liberty after Michaelmas	-	100s.
Doddingtre Hundred from Townships without the liberty after Easter	-	40s.
From Suckley which is ancient demesne	-	20s.
From Martley	-	1 mark.
Sheriff's tourn in Halfshire	-	2 marks.
Chevage (de Guldable)	-	100s.
Warepenny	-	4s.
Suit of prison	-	20s.

The total profits of the County being in the last Inquisition £21 7s. 4d.⁴, and in the first £29 9s. 8d.⁵

¹ p. 57.

² p. 58.

³ p. 72.

⁴ p. 72.

⁵ p. 58.

It appears from the Inquisition as to Elmley Castle, that for some reason the Court Baron was held at Worcester.

"There is a free court held at Worcester which is called the "Knights' Court, which with its pleas and perquisites was worth yearly 20s.¹" This looks very much like an attempt to evade the Bishop's jurisdiction. Elmley was in Oswaldslow. At Elmley the Sheriff had no jurisdiction over the free-holders of the Hundred, and could hold no Court, but once he got them inside the castle at Worcester it was quite possible technical objections to jurisdiction were not so much regarded as at Elmley, although the castle of Worcester was in the county and in the Oswaldslow Hundred. It is not without interest that this so-called "Knights' Court" is only mentioned in the case of the Manor of Elmley.

There is one difficulty about the Court for the Hundred of Halfshire, that in a notice in the Inquisition on the death of Roger de Someri in 1291², it is stated that the pleas and perquisites of the Hundred Court are worth yearly 60s. What Hundred was this? Unfortunately the Inquisition on the death of John de Someri is imperfect, or rather illegible. If he was entitled to the Hundred of Halfshire, which was at that time the only Worcestershire Hundred he could be, how and under what title did he hold it, how did he lose it, and how is it that this Hundred is found as one of those belonging to the Sheriff? On these points there is no information.

4. Another point this Inquisition brings out is that in 1298³ the sum paid by the Sheriff to the King for the County was charged with payments to various religious houses⁴:—the nuns of Wroxhall, the Abbot of Cormeilles, the Abbot of Gloucester, and the Templars. These payments do not appear in the next Inquisition in 1316⁵. The Templars had been suppressed, but it does not appear what had become of the other payments.

The profits of the office of sheriff⁶ are also of interest.

26s. represents all the fines and profits of the County, that is of the County Court.

For the Hundred of Doddingtre the fines were worth 18s., that is the fines and fees at the Hundred Court. The fines of the Hundred Court in Halfshire were worth 40s.

The Sheriff's two tourns in Doddingtre produced only a mark, while in Halfshire they produced 40s.

¹ p. 62.

² I. p. 34.

³ I. p. 59.

⁴ p. 57.

⁵ p. 71.

The next entry is curious, and points out the local difference in the Hundreds.

In the autumn tourn all townships outside the liberty of the Hundred paid in Doddingtre a fixed annual sum for the assize of all broken chevage.

Chevage is defined as "the service of the head," a payment by each villein to his lord of a fixed sum as an acknowledgment of his villeinage¹. It can only be claimed from a person who is a villein in blood, not from a free man who holds in villeinage, or by a villein tenure. It is a misprision for a subject to take such sums, as it is an assertion of lordship or jurisdiction over the person. Broken chevage would seem to be payment by villeins, who for some reason had paid to someone who claimed to be their lord without any real right.

In Halfshire there are payments for "chevage de Guldable," from a case cited by Lord Coke from the Book of Assizes²; this would appear to be a fine in respect of persons who agreed in consideration of an annual money payment to maintain the payee's quarrells.

In both Doddingtre and Halfshire the sum was 100s. In Doddingtre after the Easter tourn there was a further payment of a fixed annual sum of 40s.

In Doddingtre the Sheriff received yearly, illegally the Inquisition says, a payment of 20s. from Suckley, which was ancient demesne of the Crown, and paid this to the King for pleas in the Court of the Manor, and 1 mark from Martley. Tenants in ancient demesne could only be sued in their own courts.

In Halfshire at the Michaelmas tourn the Sheriff received annually 4s. for "Warepeny."

The Sheriff also took an annual sum of 20s. for "suit of prison."

5. The extent of the lands belonging to the Castle at Worcester are of interest, as shewing that there was a Manor attached to it. The demesne lands included 6 acres of arable, 3 of meadow, and 3 of pasture. All the tenants of the Manor paid money rents, so it is not clear how the lord in the absence of tenants who rendered service was able to get his land cultivated; probably the original tenants became emancipated, and were allowed to build on their holdings and commute their services for a money rent, but there is nothing

¹ Co. Litt. 140a.

² 27 Assize 44. Lambard Eirenarcha, ed. 1602, p. 163. It became one of the matters that were dealt with by the star chamber.

to shew when or at what time this was done. Fourteen tenants are mentioned, 3 shops, and at least 11 houses. What was the extent of the Manor of the Castle does not appear. It must have extended beyond St. Michael's parish, as some of the houses are said to be in the county (which would refer to St. Michael's parish, which was county till 1832), and others to be in the city, which would be in the city proper. It is also worthy of notice that the city tenants do not hold by suit of Court, but all the county tenants do so; yet the Court is spoken of as the Court of the Earl within the aforesaid city, and 2 lbs. of pepper value 20*d.* is part of the profits, still none of the tenants mentioned are said to pay any pepper as part of their rents.

A curious exchange is recorded between Guy de Beauchamp and Agnes de la Hoyland, of Worcester, widow; she was entitled to dower out of Little Inkberrow; the Earl took her profits there, and gave her for her life the profits of the demesne lands, and the rents of his Worcester tenants. But he retained two pairs of boots which the cordwainer and shoemaker of the Earl had to give him yearly, and the pepper¹.

6. This does not complete the interest of the Earl in Worcester. He held the advowson of St. Peter's, which was then worth 20*s.* Which St. Peter was this—St. Peter the Great, the present parish so called, or the church, St. Peter's in the castle, which has quite disappeared? It would seem to be the latter, for (1) In Giffard's register², William de Beauchamp in 1276 presented Richard de Powyk to the Chapel of "St. Peter's in the Castle of Worcester," shewing that the advowson of the church then belonged to the Earls. (2) In 1301³, the abbot and convent of Pershore presented Andrew de Lega to the Church of St. Peter the Great.

7. Earl Guy also obtained some if not all of the property of the Knights Templars, when they were suppressed, including Temple Lawern and some in the City of Worcester⁴, a house opposite St. Nicholas' Church, a garden in Lowesmoor, and several other houses. There was also a garden next the Chapel of St. Lawrence let to the Preceptor of St. Wulstan's; thereby shewing the existence of that chapel at the date, and giving rise to a conjecture that the church might possibly have had something to

¹ p. 73.

² Giff. Reg. p. 89.

³ Ib. p. 544.

⁴ p. 87.

do with the Knights Templars, and so would be outside the sphere of influence of the Benedictine Monastery. Until recent years a St. Lawrence's passage ran out of Lich Street, the boundary of the monastery, and this may indicate the site of the field that belonged to the Preceptor of St. Wulstan's.

8. Another point in Worcester history these Inquisitions and extents help to clear up. There used to be near the corner of what is now called Copenhagen Street and High Street, but what was formerly Coken Street, a spot known as the Earl's post. It stood near the site of the old Guildhall, and there has been much speculation as to what it was for, what it meant, and why it had its name. The Inquisitions supply a plausible and simple answer. If the custodian of the castle had also a manor in the city of Worcester in which he could and did exercise jurisdiction, and the Manor came up close to the Guildhall, where the civic authorities exercised jurisdiction, it was only natural that there should be some mark to shew where the jurisdiction of the one ended and that of the other began. The Earl's post was merely the mark shewing the boundary of the respective jurisdictions of the Earl and the City in Worcester.

The further question as to what were the precise rights of the Earls of Warwick in the city, either as part of the custody of the castle, or as what they got from the Templars, or what was their own property, are matters of considerable interest, but are outside this introduction.

Alice, the widow of Guy, Earl of Warwick, lived on till 1324¹. She had as her dower Naunton Beauchamp, Pirton, and half of Wadborough. At her death they passed into the hands of the King, as her son, Thomas de Beauchamp, was still a minor.

The next great family in the south of the county were the Clares. Their Inquisitions are of special interest, as they include the Inquisition on the death of the last of the Clares, Gilbert, who was killed at Banockburn in 1314, and on whose death the estates of the family were divided among his sisters.

Richard de Clare, 2nd Earl of Gloucester, died in 1262. He it was who commanded one wing of the Barons' army at Lewes, and one wing of the Royal army at Evesham, and whom the Barons were at one time said to have regarded as their head.

¹ p. 119.

An Inquisition was taken in 1263 of the Knight's fees this Earl held in Worcestershire, and the finding was that William Corbet held one fee in Tyderinton, Clopton, and Claydelf. His son, Gilbert de Clare, the Red Earl, who died in 1295, married Joan, the daughter of Edward I., and the King gave his daughter on her marriage the Forest of Malvern, which thereupon became Malvern Chace. The Clares held the Manor of Hanley Castle, Blackmore Park, and the Manor of Bushley, or part of it.

The Earl also held lands in Worcestershire as part of the Honour of Gloucester in Redmarley, probably Redmarley d'Abbitot, but possibly Redmarley in Witley, Clifton (it is not certain if this is Clifton in Severn Stoke or Clifton on Teme, probably the first. The Clare arms used to be in one of the windows of Severn Stoke Church), Hanley Child (Cheddar Hanley), Doddenham, Ankerdine (Queredham), Knightwick and Hanley (this may be Hanley William or Hanley Castle, most likely Hanley Castle). This would give the Clare property in Worcestershire as being in Malvern Chace or the Doddingtre Hundred; but it is not easy to explain how the lands in Doddingtre Hundred came to be held of the Honour of Gloucester.

The Red Earl's heir was his son Gilbert, who in 1296 was nearly 5 years old. The Countess Joan, daughter of Edward I., died in 1307, the same year as her father. An Inquisition was taken at her death¹, and it was found that her husband, Earl Gilbert, held the Manor of Bushley, and divers lands and tenements in England by the service of $7\frac{1}{2}$ Knight's fees. It was not known by what service the Manor of Bushley was held, but it was held of the King in chief for the life of the Countess, and the Earl held no land in Worcestershire of any one but the King. The total value of the Manor was £14 14s. 3d. At Hanley the total value was £36 16s. 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ d., and a pound of cinnamon worth 1d. The heir was Gilbert de Clare, who was 16 on 11 May, 1307. The Earl also held the Manors of Chaddesley Corbet, worth £40 a year, Severn Stoke, which was let to Robert de Clifford, worth £20, and Eldersfield worth £30, which was let to Thomas Berkeley.

As has been said, Gilbert was killed at the battle of Banockburn in 1314, and died without issue. An Inquisition was taken as to his Worcestershire estates², which were found to be the Manor of

¹ p. 20.

² p. 46.

Hanley, including Blackmore Park, Colwall Mathon, and the Manor of Bushley. All the lands in England were held at $7\frac{1}{2}$ Knight's fees, but the jury could not say what were the incidents of those of Hanley and Bushley. Hanley was worth £36 17s. 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ d., and Bushley £18 15s. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. The heirs of this Earl, unless his wife should have a child, which did not happen, were his three sisters, Eleanor, then aged 22, who married the younger Hugh le Despenser, who was afterwards hung at Hereford, Margaret, aged 21, the widow of Peter de Gaveston, who had been hung at Bristol, and Elizabeth, then aged 20, the widow of John de Burgh, who was killed in Ireland¹.

On the partition of the Clare estates the Worcestershire estates came to Elizabeth.

The value of the estates was :—

	£	s.	d.
Hanley Castle - - - -	36	17	10 $\frac{3}{4}$
Bushley - - - - -	18	15	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Chaddesley Corbet - - -	40	0	0
Severn Stoke - - - - -	20	0	0
Eldersfield - - - - -	30	0	0
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	£145	13	4 $\frac{1}{4}$

It was expressly found that the Earl had no advowson in Worcestershire.

The Clares, the Beauchamps, and the Church held the greater part of South Worcestershire. On the west of the Severn, in the Hundred of Doddingtre, the most important persons were the Mortimers. Their influence in Herefordshire was far larger than in Worcestershire, but even here they were a power in the land.

Before the rebellion of 1071 the Mortimers, although mentioned in the Worcestershire Domesday, were not by any means in the first rank of landowners; they had defeated Eadric the Wild, and taken his castle at Wigmore, which they were allowed to retain. They also managed to secure especially in Worcestershire a considerable portion of the land that Earl Roger forfeited on his rebellion, and also the castles of Cleobury-Mortimer and Bridgenorth. There were several branches of the family. Hugh Mortimer, of Richards Castle, held the Barony of Burford. Richards Castle was the possession of Richard Fitz Scrob; thence it passed to the Sais, from

whom it went by marriage to Hugh de Ferrers; he left a daughter and heiress Margery; she married Robert de Mortimer, and brought him Richards Castle. On his death she married William de Sutteville, who died in 1259. At the Inquisition on his death he was found to hold in his wife's right the Manors of Wychbold and Cotheridge; on his death they passed to Sir Hugh de Mortimer¹, who was then of age, the son of Sutteville's wife by her first husband. He died in 1275, and in the Inquisition taken on his death was found to be seised of Wychbold, Cotheridge, and Home Castles, all parts of the Barony of Burford².

Wychbold was worth £41 4s. 0d.

Cotheridge.

Home Castle.

And the advowson of All Saints, Worcester, worth £5.

The heir was Robert Mortimer, who was then 22; he married Joyce, daughter of William, 2nd Baron Zouch of Ashby, and died in 1287. By the Inquisition taken on his death³ the Worcestershire possessions of the Mortimers were found to be considerably increased, for Robert de Mortimer then held—

			£
The Manors of Impney (Imenaye)	-	-	30
Elmbridge	-	-	24
Parshull	-	-	10
Crowle	-	-	20
Clifton on Teme	-	-	10
Shelsley Walsh	-	-	5
Sapey Pitchard	-	-	2
Sutton Sturmy	}	-	15
Upper Sapey			
Tenbury	-	-	40
Kyre Ward	-	-	5
Edvin Loach	-	-	4
Carton in Mamble	-	-	7

And the advowsons of—

All Saints', Worcester	-	-	5
Edvin Loach	-	-	5
Shelsley Walsh	-	-	5 marks.
Upper Sapey	-	-	5

and nine and a half fees which were found to be worth £187.

¹ I. p. 4.

² I. p. 21.

³ I. p. 27.

There is no finding as to who were the heirs of Robert Mortimer, but from a subsequent Inquisition¹, with regard to land at Sutton Sturmeay, it appears that Robert de Mortimer let to William de Mortimer of Hamme, probably Home Castle, for life, certain lands which on his death went to the heirs of Hugh Mortimer, and that the heirs of Hugh Mortimer and William Mortimer were Joan, aged 17, wife of Thomas de Wikenor, and Margaret, aged 14½, wife of Geoffrey de Cornwall.

Another of the Mortimers, Maud, was found in 1301² to hold of the King ⅓ of the Manor of Inkberrow, as to which she had eight free tenants who paid £1 6s. 3¼d., the total value of her share of the Manor being £1 15s. 1½d. Her heir was her son Edmund, who was over 30 in 1301; he died in 1304, and from the Inquisition³ on his death it appears he held a house, park, and land at Bewdley, where he had 61 free tenants, and that the whole of it was part of the Barony of Wigmore, which was held of the King by Barony. This Edmund was the 1st Baron Mortimer, who was wounded in a battle with the Welsh near Builth, and taken back to Wigmore, where he died.

Edmund also held the lands at Inkberrow which were his mother's, lands at Edvin Loach, which were conveyed to Edmund Mortimer and his wife Margaret by Miles Pychard, lands at Shrawley and Ekington, which were conveyed to him and his wife by Alina le Poer, and an annuity of £100 a year out of the King's Manor of Bromsgrove and King's Norton.

Roger Mortimer, then aged 17, was found to be the heir of Edmund. He was the 2nd Baron, and was created Earl of March. He is better known in history as the lover of the Queen, the "she-wolf of France," the murderer of Edward II. He was hung at Smithfield in 1330.

In 1308, an Inquisition⁴ was held as to the lands of Maud, widow of Hugh Mortimer, and which had passed to the King because the heir of Hugh was a minor. It is not clear who was the Hugh Mortimer here mentioned. He was not the Hugh Mortimer of Richards Castle, whose heirs were found to be two daughters; yet this Maud seems to have held the lands which Robert Mortimer possessed at his death in 1287⁵.

¹ p. 34.² p. 5.³ p. 11.⁴ p. 29.⁵ I. p. 27.

She was found to hold—

	£.	s.
The Manors of Impney - - - -	30	
Astwood - - - -	10	
Elmbridge - - - -	24	
Purshull - - - -	10	
Crowle - - - -	20	
Witton - - - -	8	
Clifton on Teme - - - -	8	
Shelsley Walsh - - - -	8	
Ouyre (Kyre) - - - -	5	
Sapy Pychard - - - -	3	
Sutton Sturmy } - - - -	15	
Upper Sapey } - - - -		
Tenbury - - - -	30	
Edwin Loach - - - -	5	
She also held the Hamlets of Kingsland - - - -	1	
Elmbridge - - - -	2	
Roke and Holin - - - -	10	
Kurkedon (Carton in Mamble) - - - -	6	
And the advowsons of All Saints', Worcester - - - -	5	
Edwin Loach - - - -	5	
Maud also held the Manors of Cotheridge - - - -	35	8
Wychbold - - - -		

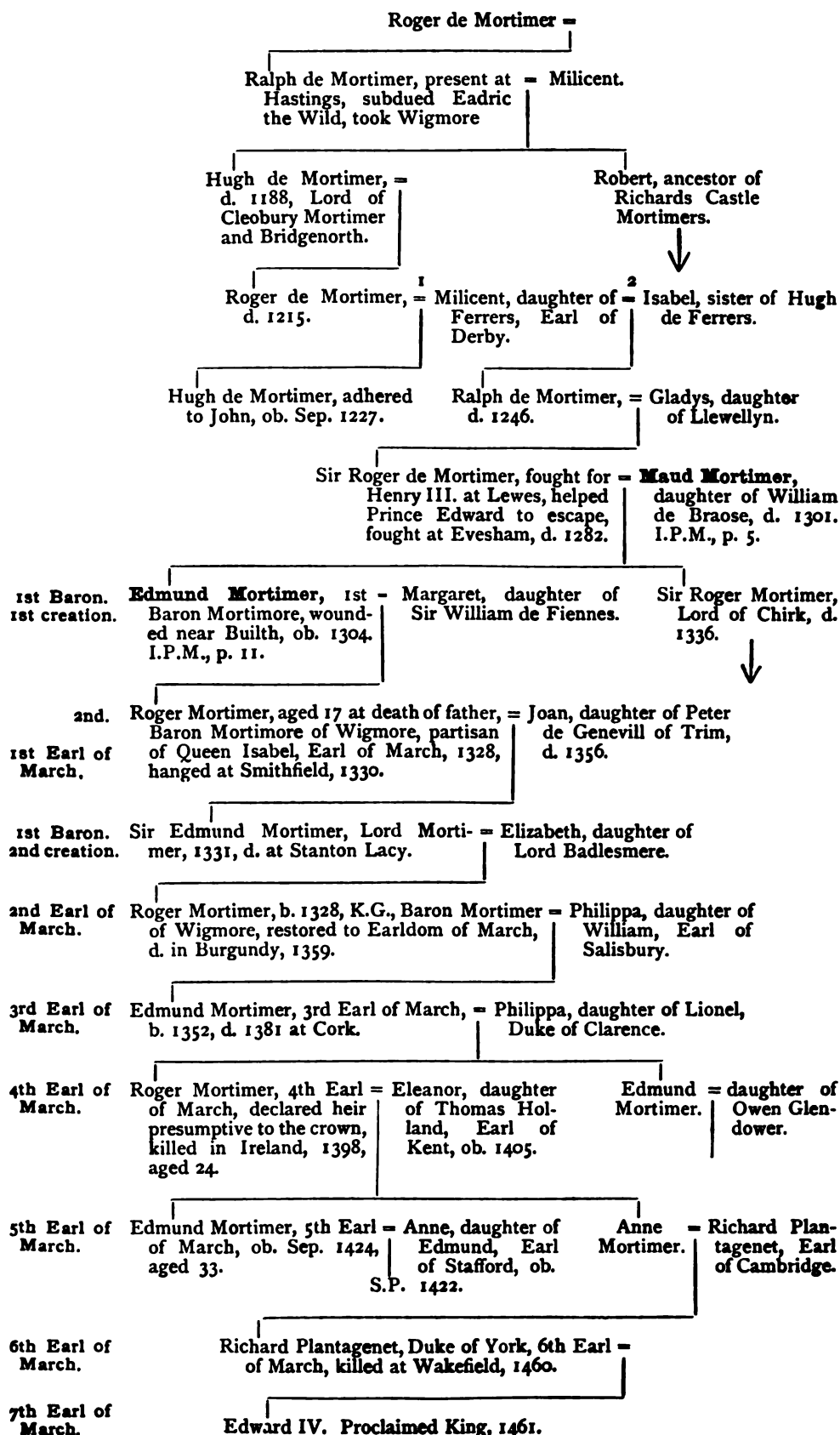
In this Inquisition Maud is described as Maud, formerly wife of Hugh de Mortimer, of Richards Castle¹. The names of the heirs, who are minors, and so in the custody of the King, are not given.

Adam de Elmbridge², who was tenant of the Hamlet of Elmbridge, was found to hold it of the heirs of Hugh de Mortimer, of Richards Castle.

It is a somewhat difficult task to clear up the precise relations between the two families, but the following rough pedigree of the main line of the Mortimers may help to make the position of the Worcestershire Mortimers more intelligible. Those whose Inquisitions are given are printed in heavier type.

¹ p. 31.

² p. 32.



This pedigree only gives the main line of the Mortimers; the Inquisitions of only two of the persons named in it—Maud, the mother of the 1st Baron, and that of Edmund the 1st Baron—are given. It would be beyond the limits comprised in this Introduction to give the details of the family, but for Worcestershire the Richards Castle branch—the effigy of one of whom is still in Martley Church—and some of the other collaterals are of the greatest importance for County History.

Maud de Mortimer (Braose) died 1301; she held an eighth of the Manor of Inkberrow of the King¹. Her son Edmund, 1st Lord Mortimer, was wounded near Būlth, and died of his wound; his Inquisition is also given². This shews what Worcestershire estates descended to his son Roger, 2nd Lord Mortimer, the moving spirit in Edward II.'s murder.

The Richards Castle Mortimers are represented by Hugh³ and his wife Maud. Hugh held Wychbold and Cotheridge as part of the Barony of Burford, and lands in Worcester from the Bishop; Maud de Mortimer⁴ also held Impney, Kingsland, Elmbridge, Crowle, Wytton, Rock Hollins, Clifton-on-Teme, Shelsley, Kyre [Ouyre], Sapey Pichard, Sutton Sturmy, Upper Sapey, Tenbury, and Edvin Loach, Kurkedon (in Mamble), and the advowsons of Edvin Loach and All Saints', Worcester.

It is therefore of importance to distinguish between the two branches of the Mortimer family who were both Worcestershire landowners,—the Lords of Wigmore holding Bewdley as part of the Barony of Wigmore, and Inkberrow, Shrawley, Eckington, and a rent-charge out of King's Norton and Bromsgrove; the Lords of Richards Castle holding the Barony of Burford with its various members, and other lands in the Teme Valley.

With the Mortimers the last of the great County Landowners as mentioned in these Inquisitions end. It will be noticed that there are only five, the Someries, Valences, Beauchamps, Clares, and Mortimers. The division of the estates of the Someries and the Clares are given in the Inquisitions, the Valence estates were divided soon after, so there only remained The King, The Church, the Beauchamps, and the Mortimers, both of which last were in the course of time to be absorbed by the Crown. The Inquisitions, however, bring out another point of some importance in the County

¹ p. 5.² p. 11.³ p. 9.⁴ p. 29.

History, the rise and the growing importance of what we should now call the Squires, the smaller gentry in the county; there were quite a number of these, who continued for years and whose names in some cases are still to be found in the county place-names, such as the Walshes at Shelsley¹, Pauncefootes at Bentley², the Hacketts at Cofton. None of these were of any great importance outside their own Manors, but they were the persons who probably had more to do with the development of the county than the great feudal landowners who held land in several counties.

On another important point the Inquisitions throw light, the internal state of the county. As to the Forests, the details in the Inquisitions that relate both to Feckenham and to Malvern Chace shew that within the limits of the Forest there was, contrary to the popular opinion that the Forests were all thick woodlands, a good deal of cultivated land. At Inkberrow³, in the Forest of Feckenham, the meadow-land was worth 18*d.* an acre, at Feckenham itself the land was worth less. 2*d.* an acre seems to have been about the value⁴, while in the Chace of Malvern the land at Hanley Castle was worth about 3*d.* an acre⁵. This shews that the area of the Forest, while containing a large proportion of uncultivated land, had also very considerable areas of cultivated land, and that the usual idea that the woodland and waste land was the largest part of the county is open to very great question. The Inquisitions shew the amount of work the tenants in the Chace did on the cultivated land, thus proving that the area must have been considerable, but unfortunately it is not possible to calculate the proportion between cultivated and uncultivated lands.

Traces of the various restrictions of the Forest laws are found:—A park for the sustenance of the deer at Inkberrow⁶. The pasture of it was, however, worth 6*s.* 8*d.* a year beyond the keep of the wild animals in it⁷. At Bushley and Malvern Chace the underwood could not be sold because of the game⁸.

There are a number of customs and perquisites which it is difficult to explain, and it is not clear if some are not merely local. At Kidderminster the customary tenants paid on the Feast of St. Martin Poll money and "Medueselvr"⁹. At Bushley they paid at Martinmas a 1*d.* for each pig a year old¹⁰, possibly to restrict the number turned out for pannage in the Chace. On Hoke day the

¹ p. 27. ² p. 41. ³ pp. 1 and 6. ⁴ p. 3. ⁵ p. 23. ⁶ p. 1. ⁷ p. 122.
⁸ p. 21. ⁹ p. 19. ¹⁰ p. 22.

Bushley tenants paid 13s. 4d. for chevage¹. On Michaelmas day 16s. 0½d. for aid¹—they had to mow a "Lawe sithe¹"; what quantity this represents is uncertain. On Michaelmas day they paid Godomel 7s. 11d.² A rent of warthpenny was paid by the Hundred of Halfshire³. At Sheriffs Lench the customary tenants paid Hevedpeni at Martinmas⁴. At Comberton the view of Longueport was, with the pleas and perquisites, worth 6s. 1d. a year⁵. At Buley the customary tenants pay Ripsilver⁶, Mathsilver, Tinygsilver and Peter's pence. At Acton Beauchamp the payment for pigs is varied; every pig a year old is charged 1d., every Hogget ½d., and the custom is called "Tak⁷."

In Naunton Beauchamp the tenants had each Christmas to give a certain number of Hens called "Present Hens⁸."

Some of the rents and services are peculiar; rendering spurs and arrows are common enough; a ploughshare every Michaelmas, worth 6d., for leave to remain on the Bishop's land is exceptional⁹. One of the Inkberrow tenants had at Christmas to stand at the Lord's table with his wife, one boy, and one servant¹⁰. In several cases a tenant could not permit his son to study (*ponere ad litteram*) without the Lord's leave¹⁰, the reason being if the son got on with his learning and took any, even minor, orders he was at once emancipated.

The services of the Freehold tenants at Elmley Castle were exceptional; one was hornblower without the gate of the Castle¹¹. Another rendered a *corsorium* at Christmas¹¹, and a third carried the letters to the Castle, and carried them back¹². Another served the Lord's writs when required¹³.

It would occupy too much space to discuss several questions of interest that arise as to the value of the land in the different districts in the county, it varies considerably, and it is difficult to arrive at any accurate figure. The rent was often only part of what the Lord got, the tenant had also to do services, and as these services vary in value, it seems impossible to get at any satisfactory figure, but it is clear that the rents varied considerably in different places, and it appears that even then the effect of land being in the Forest, and so subject to damage from game, kept the rents down.

Another point of interest is a comparison of the conditions that existed on the estates of some of the great landowners. On some

¹ p. 23. ² p. 26. ³ p. 58. ⁴ p. 60. ⁵ p. 64. ⁶ p. 81.

⁷ p. 84. ⁸ p. 120. ⁹ p. 90. ¹⁰ p. 86. ¹¹ p. 93. ¹² p. 94. ¹³ p. 98.

there appears to have been more villeinage than on others. On some there were only freehold and copyhold tenants, very much as at the present day. On others there were besides the freeholders, both copyholders and villeins. On the estates where there were villeins, the services they had to render were not only more onerous on some estates than on others, but even on different Manors belonging to the same owners. It would swell this Introduction to too great a length to work out this matter, but roughly it would seem that the Manors on the West of the Severn were in a more servile condition than those on the East. This is what would be expected; the tenures of those who were liable to be invaded from Wales would remain unaltered, as possibly the Lord was forbidden to do much to develop his estate, as it would only form an inducement to have it raided—for even then “Taffy was a thief.”

A further point that these tenures suggest is a comparison between the lay and ecclesiastical estates. The rent-roll of the Priory of Worcester, which was edited by Archdeacon Hale for the Camden Society¹, gives the most minute details of the estates of that House at about the middle of the twelfth century; a comparison between the conditions described in it and those given by the Inquisitions as existing on the estates of say the Earl of Warwick would be of great interest.

Many further points might be mentioned; for instance, how the cult of certain saints seems at one time to have prevailed in the district, and how for some reason it died out. No one who reads the Inquisitions will fail to notice that the great day for paying rents was the Feast of St. Martin. At the present day there are very few people in the county who could say when the Feast of that Saint is celebrated. How the cult of St. Martin arose, and how it was supplanted by St. Michael, offers a most interesting subject for consideration.

There are also the place-names to be studied. One very important lesson is taught by these Inquisitions, namely, that a very large number of the Worcestershire place-names are either personal or derived from some purely local characteristic. Thus Edvin Loach is shewn to have its second name from the holder William de Loges², and has no hidden Celtic meaning. Whether “Roke,” the name of Rock, justifies the definition for “Ac” is a

¹ *Registrum sive Liber irrotularius Prioratus Beatis Mariæ Wigornensis*, 1865.

² p. 30.

matter of opinion. "Albedeleye¹" makes one pause before asserting that the Welsh Aber forms the first syllable. The names of some of the woods and fields shew how long they continue, and that the penalty on those who move their neighbours' landmarks should fall on those who change all place-names. A several pasture called "Comer²" identifies the present "Comer gardens" adjoining Worcester, although that name is not grand enough for modern Town Councils, and the locality is now called after local politicians or incidents, such as Alma Street and Cyprus Road, selected by the speculative builder who covered the site with villas. A wood in the Manor of Temple Lawerne is still known as Birchengrove³. There is yet a wood known as Deerfold⁴ within the Manor of Wadborough.

A number of other points might be noticed. The names of the Jurors give some indication of the employments the different villagers and townsmen followed; for instance, on a Jury of the City of Worcester in 1316, there was in that city, as we should expect, a Chandler and a Goldsmith, but there was also what was less likely, a Coppersmith⁵.

On a Jury at Queenhill in 1315⁶, one Nicholas de Lyra was on the jury. As in that district the great Norman Abbey of Lyre had property, it would be of interest to know if monks served on juries, or if foreigners were allowed to do so, or if this Nicholas was only some lay brother dwelling on the Abbey estate.

The points that have been mentioned shew how much of early Worcestershire history is to be learnt by a close study of the Inquisitions, and emphasise the necessity of the publication of the remainder as soon as possible.

The real history of the county can never be written until documents of this nature have been carefully studied, and the whole of their bearings on the county carefully noted. Some new point occurs each time they are read which throws new light on the county history. For instance, there are few persons who could answer the question when was coal first worked at Stourbridge? The Inquisitions do not do this, but they shew that there were coal mines in Oldswinford, worth 20s. a year, as early as 1291⁶.

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LINCOLN'S INN,
20th May, 1909.

¹ p. 60. ² p. 87. ³ p. 95. ⁴ p. 72. ⁵ p. 52. ⁶ I. p. 35.

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INQUISITIONES POST MORTEM

FOR THE

COUNTY OF WORCESTER.

FROM 28 EDWARD I. TO 19 EDWARD II.,

A.D. 1300 TO A.D. 1326.

I.

THE EARL OF PEMBROKE¹,
INKBERROW.

INQUISITION of the lands and tenements which were of William de Valence, Earl of Pembroke, at Intberue [*Inkberrow*], made on Wednesday next before the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 24 Edward I. [A.D. 1296], by the oaths of Thomas de Bottel, William de Stoke, William de Seynebury, Robert de Wyneby, Robert Pynel, Alexander Beupere, Roger Coleman, Nicholas Bus, Richard de Marisco, Richard Eggenok, William Juyng and John Fremon, who say that there is there a certain capital messuage with a garden worth 10s. a year, and a certain dovecote worth 2s. a year, and a certain water-mill worth 20s. a year, and a certain vivary worth 2s. a year. There are also 4 carucates of land worth 20s. a year each carucate, and 20 acres of meadow worth 18*d.* the acre. And there are there of rents of the free tenants 10*li.* a year, and of the bond tenants (*nativi*) with their work 4*li.* The pleas and perquisites of the Court are valued at 20s. a year. There is there also a park worth, above the sustenance of the deer, half a mark: pannage is worth 6s. a year.

The manor is held in chief of the King by a knight's fee and a half, in right of Joan, wife of the said William de Valence, but by what service the jury are ignorant. They say that Aylmer de

¹ This Inquisition of the year 1296 was omitted from its proper place at p. 55 of the former set published in 1894.

Valence, his son, is his next heir, and is of full age. The total value of the said manor in all its issues is 22*li.* 10*s.* 8*d.* a year.

Inq. p.m., 24 Edw. I., No. 56, mem. 18.

II.

JOHN DE WOTTON, KIDDERMINSTER.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements held by John de Wotton in the county of Worcester of the inheritance of Ella Biset, formerly his wife, made at Kyderminstre [*Kidderminster*] on Thursday next after the feast of St. Mark the Evangelist, 28 Edward I. [A.D. 1300], by Hugh de Bruneshope, John de Kent, Reginald de Northwode, Robert de Cherleforde, Phillip Clerk, Henry Dode, John de Furno, William Fullon', John Arche, Roger de Mutton, Richard Sutorem and John de Botiler, who say that John de Wotton held one messuage and one carucate of land with the appurtenances within the manor of Kyderminstre of the King, in chief, of the inheritance of Ella Biset, formerly his wife, by the service of nine parts of a third part of a knight's fee, whereof the messuage and a close adjoining to the same are worth by the year 5*s.* There is there a certain common wood, the common pannage of which is worth by the year half a mark; the herbage of the same wood as it is enclosed [*propterea defensum*] between the feasts of Michaelmas and St. Martin is worth 4*s.*; there are in demesne 160 acres of arable land, every acre worth by the year 2*d.*; there are there four acres of meadow for mowing, every acre worth by the year 20*d.*; the rents of the free tenants there 40*s.* by the year, payable at the two feasts of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary and at Michaelmas; there are there 30 customary tenants, who hold 15 virgates of land in villenage of which the customs and services are rated at 74*s.* a year, paid quarterly; and every one of the aforesaid customary tenants ought to plough for winter sowing for one day with half a plough [*team*], and it is worth 1½*d.*; and to hedge [*cerculare (sic)*] for one day, and it is worth ½*d.*; and to reap for 3 days in autumn with one man, and it is worth 3*d.*; and to gather nuts for one day, and it is worth ½*d.* Sum of the aforesaid services, 23*s.* 9*d.* The pleas and perquisites of court are worth yearly 15*s.* Sum total of the extent, 10*li.* 1*s.* 9*d.*

They say that the aforesaid John held nothing of any other person in the aforesaid county, and that John Biset¹, son of the aforesaid John and Ella, is their next heir, and that he is aged 21 years and more.

Writ dated 11 April, 28 Edward I. [1300].

Inq. p.m., chancery, 28 Edw. I., No. 30.

III.

RALPH STRECH, FECKENHAM.

Inquisition made at Persore, 16 June, 29 Edward I. [A.D. 1301], before the Escheator on this side the Trent, what Ralph Strech held of the King on the day he died, by serjeantry or otherwise, and how much, and of whom, and by what service, by the oaths of James de Hale, Richard de Maresco, Thomas Maudut (?), John Colemon, William de Peplinton, William Hurel, Thomas de Walecote, Richard Cam, Henry att Hyde, Nicholas le Forestir, Nicholas de Sondebur' (?) and John de Horsley; who say that the aforesaid Ralph Strech held on the day he died nothing of the King by serjeantry. But they say that he held of the King three virgates of land in Astwode, by the service of 20s. a year, payable to the manor of Feckenham for all services and customs, and those 3 virgates of land contain four score and 16 acres worth 20s. a year, value 2½d. per acre. Also the aforesaid Ralph held 9 acres and a half as a socman of the manor of Feckenham, paying to the manor aforesaid 3s. 2d., and doing suit at the court for all service. And the aforesaid 9 acres and a half are worth 3s. 2d. a year. They also say that the aforesaid Ralph held in Astwode of Richard de Morton one messuage and four virgates of land by the service of a fourth part of one knight's fee and 14d. of "Warthfe" (?), whereof the messuage with a close are worth 6d. a year, and the 4 virgates of land contain six score [acres?], and are worth 20 shillings a year, price per acre 2d. They also say that the said Ralph held of the aforesaid Richard de Morton 4 virgates of land by the service of 4s. by the year for all services, and they contain 6 score acres of land, worth 20s. a year; price per acre 2d. They

¹ See *post*, p. 15.

say also that the aforesaid Ralph held of Henry de Ruve Ford¹ in Horsleye 100s. a year rent by the service of 25s. payable every year for all services. The said Ralph held no other lands of the King in chief nor of other persons. Robert Strech is the son of the aforesaid Ralph Strech and his next heir, and is of the age of 20 years.

Writ dated April 11, 29 Edward I. [1301].

Inq. p.m., 29 Edw. I., No. 18.

IV.

MAUD DE BEAUCHAMP,

MANOR OF CUMBRYNTON (COMBERTON).

Inquisition made at Cokerclos Croys upon the hill of Bredon, 12 May, 29 Edward I. [A.D. 1301], of the lands and tenements, which were held by Maud de Beauchamp, Countess of Warwyk, on the day she died, in her demesne as a fee, in the county of Worcester, before the escheator of the King on this side of the Trent, by Robert le Fitz Warren (*sic*), Thomas de Wadberwe, Adam Sampson, Robert Vinch, Thomas de Woloshulle, Alexander de Staverton, Nicholas Attehulle, Henry Michel, Henry le Newemon, Robert Gerald, William le Hunte and William Croyl, who say that the aforesaid Maud held a certain tenement of the manor of Cumbrynton, whereof she was jointly enfeofed with William de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, formerly her husband, by Richard de Ledene, who formerly held the said tenement of the same earl, by the service of doing suit at the court of the castle of Worcester every three weeks; of which tenement there is a certain portion of a messuage with a garden and the fruit, with herbage worth 2s. yearly, and there are 30 acres of arable land, which are worth yearly 7s. 6d., and 2 acres of meadow worth yearly 2s. There are eleven free tenants, of whom—

William de Ledene holds one virgate of land and pays 4s. 8d. yearly for all services.

Robert Anyes holds one portion of a messuage and three acres of land and pays yearly 1½d. for all services.

¹ Most probably Ribbesford. Curiously Church is "Robin of Horsehill," that is, popular legend says the archer represented Horseley. in the Norman Typanum at Ribbesford

Emma de Ledene holds one curtilage and pays yearly 7*d.* for all services.

Richard Colston holds one curtilage and pays yearly 12*d.* for all services.

William Huet holds half a virgate of land and pays yearly 12*s.* 8*d.* for all services.

Peter Aleyn holds one messuage and pays yearly 4*s.* for all services.

John Page holds one messuage and half a virgate of land and pays yearly 12*s.* 9*d.* for all services.

Henry Sueth holds one messuage and half a virgate of land and pays yearly 12*s.* 7*d.* for all services.

Richard le Westrene holds one messuage and four acres of land and pays yearly 4*s.* 10½*d.* for all services.

Henry Pope holds one messuage and pays yearly 8*d.* for all services.

Maud de Laycestre holds one messuage and pays yearly 2*s.* for all services.

The jury say that Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, son of the aforesaid Maud de Beauchamp, is next heir of the said Maud, and that he is of the age of thirty years.

Sum total per annum 67*s.* 5*d.*

Writ dated 21 April, 29 Edward I. [1301].

Inq. p.m., 29 Edw. I., No. 33.

V.

MAUD DE MORTIMER, INKBERROW.

Inquisition made at Persore, 19 April, 29 Edward I. [A.D. 1301], before the Escheator on this side the Trent, of the lands and tenements which were of Maud de Mortimer on the day she died in demesne as of fee, by the oaths of Sir James de Boys, knight, William de Lench, Peter de Croule, Richard Le Noreis, John Sterlyng', Geoffrey Botolf, Richard Moris (?), James att Hale, Roger Clerk, William de Soyneburi, Henry Renel, and Richard Le Messer, who say on their oaths that the aforesaid Maud held in her demesne as of fee an eighth part of the manor of Intberwe [*Inkberrow*] of the King in chief, by the service of one eighth part of one knight's fee.

There are there 20 acres of arable land worth a year 20*d.*; price per acre 1*d.* And there are there 5 acres of meadow worth yearly 7*s.* 2*d.*; price per acre 17½*d.* There are there 8 free tenants, of whom Richard Tippar (?) holds ½ acre of land, and the rent is 3½*d.* a year, viz. at the Annunciation of St. Mary 1½*d.* and at the feast of St. Michael 2*d.* an acre for all services. Richard ate Merse holds one acre and a half of land, and the rent is 9*d.* a year to the aforesaid Richard by equal portions per acre for all services. John Strech holds ½ acre of land and renders 4*d.* a year at the aforesaid days by equal portions per acre for all services. Nicholas Buse (?) holds one fardel [*ferndel'*] of land and renders 3*s.* 4*d.* a year at the aforesaid times by equal portions for all services. Nicholas Le Prior holds 2 acres and a half of land and renders by the year 16½*d.* at the aforesaid times by equal portions for all services. Hugh Cok holds 9 acres of land and renders by the year 5*s.* 6*d.* at the aforesaid times by equal portions for all services. William La Couherde holds 4 acres of land and renders by the year 16*d.* on the aforesaid times by equal portions for all services. John Waryn holds one virgate of land at the yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.* at the aforesaid times by equal portions. Sum of the free rents every year, 26*s.* 3½*d.* Edmund de Mortimer is the son of the aforesaid Maud and her next heir, and is of the age of 30 years and more.

Sum total per annum 35*s.* 1½*d.*

Writ dated 23 March, 29 Edward I. [1301].

Inq. p.m., 29 *Edw. I.*, No. 53.

VI.

RICHARD WARDE, REDMARLEY.

Inquisition made at Worcester before the sheriff in full county court by the jurors underwritten :—Alexander atte More, John atte Berloe, Simon de Underhyl, Richard Page, Richard de Pechesl, William de London, Walter le Byke, Thomas Goldyne, William de Kynton, William de Wodleye, John de Glout, Simon le Passur, to enquire whether one messuage and one virgate of land with the appurtenances in Ridmarel[eye] which were held by Richard Warde, who was hanged for felony, were in the hands of the King for

a year and a day, and of whom they were held, and in what manner. They say that the said messuage and land were taken into the hands of the King for a year and a day, and as yet so remain. And that Richard Warde held the same of Geoffrey de Abitot, lord of Ridmel[ey]. And that the said land lies fallow and uncultivated, and that no one now holds it, except the King. They say also that the township of Ridmarel[ey] ought to answer to the King for year and waste.

Writ dated 8 March, 29 Edward I. [1301].

Inq. p.m., 29 Edw. I., No. 60.

VII.

WILLIAM MOUNTCHESNEY, SHELSLEY BEAUCHAMP.

Inquisition taken at Worcester on Monday next after the feast of St. Augustine, apostle of England, 30 Edward I. [1302], of the lands and tenements which were held in chief by William de Mountchesney [Monte Caniso], of the inheritance of Beatrice de Beauchamp, formerly his wife, in the county of Worcester, upon the day he died, by Sir Adam de Elmbrugge, John de la Hide, John de Kekingwyke, William FitzWarrin, Robert de Wyneby, Henry de la Hyde, John de Molyngs, Peter de Cr...e, William Jordan, John de Pupplinton, William de Hanewode, and . . . FitzWarrin, who say that William de Mount Chesney held nothing in chief in the same county on the day he died, but that he held the manor of Sheldesley Beauchamp the inheritance of Beatrice de Beauchamp, deceased, formerly his wife, of Robert de Thonny for the service of half a knight's fee. And there are there a messuage with a garden, and it is worth yearly half a mark ; 120 acres of land in demesne worth yearly 40s. ; 6 acres of meadow worth yearly 6s. ; a certain pasture worth yearly 3s. ; 10 acres of wood, of which the profits are worth yearly 3s. ; a certain fulling mill at fee farm which pays yearly 1 mark ; rent of assize of the free tenants 18s. ; rent of the customary tenants 7*li.* 11*s.* 8*d.*, and of tallage of the same at Michaelmas . . . certain. Pleas and perquisites of court are worth yearly half a mark.

Sum total, 14*li.* 8*s.* 4*d.*

The jury say that the aforesaid manor was the inheritance of the aforesaid Beatrice, wife of the aforesaid William, which Beatrice was first married to a certain Thomas Fitz Oto, by whom she had a son Oto, and Maud, now the wife of John Boute-courte. The aforesaid Beatrice died seised of the aforesaid manor in her demesne as of fee, her son Oto surviving, and the aforesaid tenements remained in seisin of the aforesaid William de Mountchesney who is now dead, held by the law of England as is above-said of the inheritance of the said Oto, son and heir of the aforesaid Beatrice, to whom the right and fee of the aforesaid manor after the death of the aforesaid Beatrice by right of the inheritance descended and accrued, whereof they say that Maud, the daughter of the aforesaid Beatrice, now the wife of John Boutetourt, and whole sister of the said Oto, is through him both next heir of the said tenement and of the aforesaid Beatrice, and is aged twenty years and more.

Writ dated 14 May, 30 Edward I. [1302].

Inq. p.m., 30 *Edw. I.*, No. 38.

VIII.

GODFREY, BISHOP OF WORCESTER¹, WASTHULL.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements held by Godfrey, bishop of Worcester, in his demesne as a fee, upon the day he died, in the county of Worcester at Wasthull before the escheator of the king, made at Alvincherche 19 March, 30 Edward I., by Hugh de Bolne(?), John de Midelton, Peter Santemareys, John "de Bosco," John Textor, Ralph Baril, John de Weloy, Walter de Herehulle, Richard Alisandr', William le Usser, Richard Brown, and William Jurdan, who say that Godfrey, bishop of Worcester, held in his demesne as of fee, on the day he died, in the aforesaid county at Wasthull, one messuage and fifty acres of arable land, five acres of meadow, and five acres of pasture, part of the bishopric [*epu'*] of Worcester, by the service of four shillings and suit of court yearly. They say that the messuage is worth 2s. by the year; and the fifty acres of arable land are worth 50s. by the year; and the five acres of meadow are worth 6s. 8d. by the year; and the five acres of pasture are worth 4s. 2d. by the year.

Sum total, 42s. 10d., whereof in rent reserved as above 4s.

¹ Godfrey Giffard died 24 January, 1302.

They say that the said Godfrey held in his demesne as a fee in the vill aforesaid one acre of meadow of Nicholas de Warwyk for the service of 6*d.*, and it is worth by the year 2*s.*

John Giffard, son of William Giffard, is next heir of the aforesaid Godfrey, and he is of the age of thirty-two years.

Sum total, 2*s.* Rent reserved as above 6*d.*, and so it is worth 1*s.* 6*d.* clear.

Writ dated 28 January, 30 Edward I. [1302].

Inq. p.m., 30 *Edw. I.*, No. 41.

IX.

RICHARD DE LONGELEG', SUTTON STURMY.

Inquisition made before the sheriff of Worcester on Wednesday next after the Feast of the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr, 30 Edward I. [A.D. 1302], of the lands and tenements which were held by Richard de Longeleg', in Sutton Sturmy, by Peter Jakes, John de la Hyde, John Mauneysur, Roger de Wyncestr', William de Weneton, Stephen de Home, Richard le Hoie (?), John Rouland, Thomas in le Heye, John Baldwyne, Henry le Hoie (?), and Roger del Hay, who say that the aforesaid Richard de Longeleg' was hanged for felony, and he held one messuage, one virgate of land and one acre of wood with appurtenances in Sutton Sturmy of Robert Sturmy, for the service of 14*s.* 4*d.* by the year.

The jury say that the king has the year and day thereof, and that the said land is as yet in the hands of the king, and that the township of Sutton Sturmy should answer to the king therefor.

Writ dated 8 June, 30 Edward I. [1302].

Inq. p.m., 30 *Edw. I.*, No. 64.

X.

HUGH DE MORTIMER, WYCHBOLD, COTHERIDGE.

Inquisition at Wychbaud in the County of Worcester, before the Escheator of the King on Wednesday next after the feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist, 32 Edward I. [A.D. 1304], of the lands and tenements which Hugh de Mortmain [*Mortimer*] of

Richard's Castle held in chief of the King, on the day he died, and what he held of others, and by what services, and what those lands are worth by the year in all issues ; by the oaths of William de Portis, John de H . . rdwyk', William de Hanewode, Hugh de Cuttle, Alan Yelp of Upton, William Gylofre, Thomas de Burton, John Drusel, Walter de Ankerdam, Robert Godwyne, John de Molend', and Alexander de Otherton, who say that the aforesaid Hugh de Mortimer held, on the day he died, the manor of Wychebaud with appurtenances in the County of Worcester, of the King in chief, and that the said manor is a member of Bureford, and Bureford is held of the King by barony. And they say that the messuage of the same manor is worth by the year 2s. There are there 200 acres of arable land, and each acre is worth by the year 2*d.* ; sum 33*s.* 4*d.* ; and there are 15 acres of meadow, worth each acre by the year 16*d.* ; sum 20*s.* ; and a certain several pasture, worth by the year 4*s.* ; and a certain wood, worth by the year 3*s.* 4*d.*, and a certain dovecote, worth by the year 2*s.* And there are there 12 free tenants who pay by the year 60*s.*, and 14 villeins who pay by the year in rents of assize 100*s.* ; and their services are valued at 40*s.* by the year. The pleas and perquisites of the Court of the same manor are worth by the year 30*s.* Sum of the same manor by the year, 14*li.* 14*s.* 8*d.* (?). Joan and Margaret are the daughters and co-heirs of the said Hugh ; Joan was of the age of twelve years at the feast of St. Katherine the Virgin last past, and Margaret was of the age of eight years on the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross last past. They say also that the aforesaid Hugh with Maud his wife were joint tenants on the day he died of the manor of Codderrugg' [*Cotherridge*] with appurtenances of the King in chief, and that it is a member of Bureford, and that Bureford is held of the King by barony. There is there a certain messuage worth by the year without reprises 40*d.* ; and 200 acres of arable land, each acre worth by the year 4*d.* Sum 66*s.* 8*d.* ; and 20 acres of meadow, each acre worth by the year 18*d.* ; Sum 30*s.* ; and a certain several pasture worth by the year 4*s.* There are also two vineyards [*vinae*] there worth by the year 2*s.*, and a certain wood worth by the year 2*s.* ; also 12 free tenants who pay by the year 40*s.* ; and 10 villeins who pay by the year 4*li.* 10*s.*, and the aforesaid villeins ought to work, and their work is valued at 49*s.* 10*d.* by the year. The pleas and perquisites of the Court of the same manor are worth by the year 40*s.* The aforesaid Hugh

and Maud his wife were on the day he died joint tenants of certain tenements in the City of Worcester, held of the Bishop of Worcester by the service of the 5th part of a [Knight's] fee, viz., 10 free tenants who pay by the year 13s. 8d. And they say that these rents in Worcester pertain to the manor of Codderug'. The aforesaid Hugh and Maud jointly held a certain hamlet called Houleston', which is a member of Codderugg', of the Bishop of Worcester, by the service of the fifth part of a knight's fee. And there are there 8 free tenants who pay by the year 26s. 10d. The aforesaid Hugh and Maud his wife were jointly enfeoffed of the aforesaid manor of Codderugg' with appurtenances, to hold to the same Hugh and Maud and the heirs of the same Hugh, by William¹, Bishop of Bath and Wells, and a fine between them was levied in the Court of the King. The sum of the same manor in all issues without reprisals is by the year 18*li.* 11*s.* 8*d.*

Writ dated 5 Aug., 32 Edward I. [1304].

Inq. p.m., 32 *Edw. I.*, No. 48.

XI.

EDMUND DE MORTIMER, BEAULIEU², INKBERROW, ETC.

Inquisition taken at Worcester on Saturday next before the feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle, 32 Edward I. [A.D. 1304], before the escheator of the king, on this side the Trent, of the lands and tenements which belonged to Edmund de Mortimer upon the day he died, by John de Berwe, Robert Houstemayn, John de Baddeby (?), William Godrich, William de Molend' of Sheldesleye, Thomas de Bourton, Richard Shep, John le Sawyer, John de Intebergh, John de Leman(?), Walter Uppynton of Ekynton, and Richard de Notteclyve, who say that the same Edmund held, upon the day he died, in his demesne as of fee at Beaulieu one messuage, and of which the houses are pulled down, and it is worth by the year 12*d.* They also say that there is no arable land in demesne. There is there a certain rabbit-warren which is worth by the year $\frac{1}{2}$ a mark, a park, of which the underwood, herbage, and pannage are worth yearly 8*s.*, and

¹ Either William Button, 1267—1274, or William de March, 1293—1302.

² Bewdley. Beaulieu in the New Forest is called Bewley.

a certain meadow worth yearly 10s. They also say that there are sixty-one free tenants, who pay yearly of rent of assize 61s. They say that the pleas and perquisites of court there are worth 13s. 4d. by the year. There is there a certain wood, of which the pannage is worth by the year 4s. They also say that the whole of the said manor is charged against the Prior of the Blessed Mary of Worcester at 20s. rent, that it is a member of Wygemor [Wigmore], and that Wygemor is held of the king in chief by barony.

Sum of the whole value of Beaulieu by the year, without reprises, 4*li.* 4s.

The jury say also that the same Edmund held, upon the day he died, in his demesne as of fee at Intebergh [*Inkberrow*], twenty acres of arable land in demesne worth yearly 5s.; three acres of meadow worth 3s. yearly; and a certain wood worth yearly 2s. They say also that there is there one customary tenant who pays yearly half a mark; there are there free tenants who pay yearly 10s., and those tenements are held of the king in chief by service.

Sum total of the value of the tenements at Intebergh, 26s. 8d.

The jury also say that he held at Yeddefen [*Edwin Loach*] one messuage worth yearly 12d.; 45 acres of arable land in demesne worth yearly 11s. 3d. and 3 acres of meadow worth yearly 3s. They say that they were held of Hugh de Mortimer for the fortieth part of a knight's fee, and that the same Edmund and Margaret, his wife, were jointly enfeoffed thereof by Miles Pychard to them and the heirs of the said Edward.

Sum of the whole value of the lands and tenements which the same Edmund held in Yeddefen, 15s. 3d.

The jury also say that the same Edmund held at Shraweleye one messuage, and it is worth nothing by the year, because it is wasted [*dirrutum*]; 40 acres of arable land in demesne worth yearly half a mark; 3 acres of meadow worth yearly 3s.; the third part of one meadow, whereof the herbage is worth yearly 40d. They also say that there are there two customary tenants who pay yearly half a mark; they are held of the Earl of Warwick for the third part of a knight's fee. The said Edmund and Margaret, his wife, were jointly seised thereof by Alina la Poer to them and the heirs of Edmund.

Sum total of the value, 19s. 8d.

The jury say also that the same Edmund held at Ekynton the moiety of a messuage worth yearly 6*d.* ; two virgates of arable land in demesne worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.* ; and four acres of meadow worth yearly 4*s.* They also say that there are there five customary tenants who pay yearly 30*s.* The pleas and perquisites of court there are worth yearly 40*d.* They are held of the Abbot of Westminster for the fortieth part of a knight's fee. The said Edmund and Margaret were jointly seised thereof by Alina la Poer to them and the heirs of Edmund.

Sum total of the value by the year, 51*s.* 2*d.*

The jury say also that the same Edmund had every year of the manors of Norton [*King's Norton*] and Bromesgrove of the gift of the now king, £100. Roger, the son of Edmund de Mortimer, is next heir of the said Edmund, and that he is of the age of seventeen years and a half.

Sum total, 119*li.* 16*s.* 9*d.*

Writ dated 25 July, 32 Edward I. [1304].

Inq. p.m., 32 *Edw. I.*, No. 63*a.*

XII.

WILLIAM LE SAFFERE, BROADWAS.

Inquisition taken before the Sheriff of Worcester on Saturday, the feast of the beheading of St. John the Baptist, 32 Edward I. [A.D. 1304] on the oaths of Henry de la Grene of Bradewas, Roger le Folour of the same, Henry de Dumbelton, Peter le Mowner [?] of Bedewardyn, Walter Smith [*Fabri*] of the same, Henry de Elynelode of the same, William Bretoun of the same, Nicholas David, John de la Fortheye, Henry de Aula, Peter de Haweford, and Richard Oter [?], who say upon their oaths that six acres of land with the appurtenances in Bradewas, which William le Saffere of Bradewas, who was hanged for felony, held, were in the hands of the king for a year and a day, and that the same William held that land of the Prior of Worcester. And that the township of Bradewas now holds that land, and had thereof a year and day ; and ought to make answer for it to the king.

Writ dated 28 April, 32 Edward I. [1304].

Inq. p.m., 32 *Edw. I.*, No. 67.

XIII.

MILES DE HASTINGS,
DAYLESFORD.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements of which Miles de Hastings was seised in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died, made before the escheator of the king at Daylesford, 23 July [A.D. 1305], 33 Edward I., the son of King Henry, by Richard de Evenlade, Henry Atte Felde, John Deonys, John, son of Adam de Blockeleye, John de . . . echern of Evenlade, Richard Dicun of the same, John, son of Maud de Paxford, Robert FitzJohn of the same, John FitzWalter of Aston, John West of the same, William FitzJohn of the same, and John "in le Hurne," who say that the aforesaid Miles was seised of the manor of Daylesford on the day he died as of his free tenement, for the term of his life, of the inheritance of Thomas de Hastings, and that he held nothing of the king in chief on the day he died in the county of Worcester; but he held the said manor of John de Hastings for the service of one knight's fee. In which same manor is one capital messuage which is worth yearly, with fruit and herbage of the garden, 3s.; one dovecot worth yearly 2s.; an old and decayed water mill worth yearly 2s.; there are in demesne 80 acres of arable land worth 20s.; five acres of meadow, 10s.; a several pasture worth yearly 12d.; six free tenants who pay by the year 21s. 1d. and one pound of pepper at Easter, value 12d.

The jury also say that Miles, the son of Phillip de Hastings, who was son of the aforesaid Miles, deceased, is next heir to the said Miles, and is aged thirty years and more.

Sum of the whole extent, 60s. 1d.

Writ dated 19 June, 33 Edward I. [1305].

Inq. p.m., 33 Edw. I., No. 64.

XIV.

BALDEWYN LE VEGHE,
LITTLE KYRE.

Inquisition made before the Sheriff of Worcester on Wednesday next before the feast of St. Kenelm, 33 Edward I. [A.D. 1305], by Peter Jakes, Phillip de Homme, John de Banewell, John de Gynes,

Nicholas del Hull, Roger de Wyncestr', Ralph le Yonge, Richard Janys, Henry le Hore of Sutton, Richard "in the Wythies," Robert de Curbache, Alan de Oldenhale, who say that Baldwyn le Veghe held one messuage and three acres of land with appurtenances in Little Cure (*parva cura*) of Hugh de Blez at the time at which he was hanged for felony, for which reason the King had the year and day. John FitzWilliam de Stoke-blez [*Stoke Bliss*] now has it. And the township of Little Cure had the year and day, and ought to answer to the King for it.

Writ dated 4 June, 33 Edward I. [1305].

Inq. p.m., 33 *Edw. I.*, No. 86.

XV.

JOHN DE PEGAR,
PERSHORE.

Inquisition taken before the Sheriff of Worcester on the morrow of the feast of the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, 34 Edward I. [A.D. 1306], on the oath of John de Pipplynton, William Moraunt [?], William de la Brome, Geoffrey Chele, Nicholas de Walcote, Robert de Kyngton, William Bisshop, Thomas le Taillur, Robert Elys [?], Adam Aldrich, Thomas de Defford, and William de Porta, by the writ of the King, who say that the moiety of one messuage with appurtenances in Persore held by John de Pegare, who was hanged for felony, ought to be in the King's hands for a year and a day. And that the same John held the premises of Alexander de Basford [*Berford*?] and that Agnes, who was the wife of the said John, holds the moiety of the said messuage. The township of Persore had thereof the King's year and day, and ought to answer therefor to the King.

Writ dated 8 June, 34 Edward I. [1306].

Inq. p.m., 34 *Edw. I.*, No. 60.

XVI.

JOHN BYSET,
KIDDERMINSTER.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements which were of John Byset¹ in his demesne as of fee within the manor of Kydermunstre, on the

¹ See *ante*, p. 3.

day he died, taken before the Escheator of the county of Worcester at Kyderm[inster], 27 July¹, 35 Edward I. [A.D. 1307], by Richard de Pebemor' (?), John de Hethey, Henry de Kent, John de Mortimer, William Fullon', John de Oldenhale, John Arche, Reginald de Northwode, Henry de Fraynysh, Henry Engrlie (?), Nicholas le Duc, and Nicholas de Pokeleston, who say upon their oath that the said John held of the King in chief in Kidderminster by the service of a ninth part of one knight's fee one messuage with a close (?), worth by the year 6*d.* ; a moiety of three water-mills worth by the year 40*s.* ; 10 acres of meadow, each worth 2*s.* a year ; 160 acres of arable land worth 2*d.* an acre ; and two common woods, worth, in pannage and sale of underwood, one year with another, 9*s.* 4*d.* The herbage of one of the woods aforesaid is between the feasts of St. Michael and St. Martin worth 4*s.*, because it is then enclosed [*propter defensum*].

Tenant by Royal Service.

Item, Peter de Agberwe [*Agberrow*] holds 1 messuage with half a virgate of land by homage and royal service, and renders by the year half a mark payable at the 4 principal terms of the year.

Tenants by homage and socage.

Item, Robert de Bosco holds by homage and socage 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land, and renders by the year 43*s.* 2*d.*, and 3 suits.

Item, Hugh Musel (?) [holds] 1 messuage with two virgates of land, and renders by the year 10*s.* 2*d.*

Item, Henry Thomas [holds] 1 messuage and 1 virgate and a half of land, and renders by the year 1 mark.

Item, Simon de Alnitheleye (?) [holds] 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land, and renders by the year one mark.

Item, Henry de Bruneshope [holds] 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land, and renders by the year 1 pair of golden spurs, value 4*d.*

Item, Prior de Bradel' [Maiden Bradley] holds divers tenements, and renders by the year 2*s.* 6*d.*

Item, Hugh de Caldewelle [holds] 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land, and renders by the year 5*s.* 4*d.*

¹ The King died on the 7th July, 1307, between the date of the Writ, 8 May, and of the Inquiry, 27 July, 1307.

Item, Henry Ulf [holds] 1 plot of cultivated land [*culturam terrae*], and renders by the year 6*d*.

Item, Richard de Horeston [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 20*d*.

Item, Henry atte Grove [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 4*s*.

Item, John S . . . wine (?) [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate, and renders by the year 4*s*.

Item, Richard Oky [holds] 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year 7*s*.

Item, Michael Alyn [holds] 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 4*s*.

Item, Henry le Taylour [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 6*s*. 6*d*.

Item, William P [holds] 1 messuage and a fourth part of one virgate of land, and renders by the year 2*s*. 6*d*.

Item, Richard le Boteler [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 6*d*.

Item, Richard de Stare (?) [holds] 1 messuage and a fourth part of one virgate of land, and renders by the year 3*s*. 2*d*.

Item, Margaret Strote [holds] 1 messuage and 2 acres of land, and renders by the year 1*s*. (?).

Item, Henry Ulf (?) [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 6*s*.

Item, Reginald de Salop [holds] 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year 6*s*. 1*d*.

Item, John de Oldenhale (?) [holds] 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year 6*s*. 10*d*.

Item, Richard Shep [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 5*s*.

Item, Richard Pett (?) holds 1 messuage and . . . part of one virgate of land, and renders by the year 3*s*. 3*d*.

Item, Nicholas le Rede [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 3*s*.

Item, William Hulle (?) [holds] 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 4*s*. 8*d*.

Item, Hugh At[t]e Grove [holds] 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year 4*s*. 6*d*.

Item, Reginald de Northwode [holds] 1 messuage and one fourth part of 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year 2s. 2d.

Sum 8*li.* 11s. 4d. and the value of a pair of spurs.

Dry Rent. [Redditus Sicca.]

Item, Thomas de Ston holds 1 messuage and 1 carucate of land, and renders by the year 7s. 5d. for all services.

Item, William de Whittenton holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year 20½d.

Item, William At[t]e Ston holds 1 messuage with half a virgate of land, and renders by the year 8s.

Item, Walter de Wodewell [holds] 1 moor, and renders by the year 12d.

Item, Robert Edecot (?) holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and renders by the year, 5s. 4d.

Sum 23s. 5½d.

Free Burgesses holding by socage.

The jurors present that the rents of 63 burgesses holding freely by socage are 115s. 0½d., each of whom owes yearly 3 suits and fealty, viz. on Monday after Michaelmas, on the feast of St. Hilary, and on Monday next after "Hockeday¹," for all services; except one burgess who does not owe suit.

Sum 115s.

Cottagers by villenage in socage.

Item, William Becke [holds] 1 cottage, and pays by the year 12d.

Item, Henry Enjilie (?) [holds] 1 cottage, and pays by the year 9d.

Item, Henry Le Lokar [holds] 1 cottage, and pays by the year 12d.

Item, William Le Bonde [holds] 1 cottage, and pays by the year 9d.

Item, Aldith Thomas holds 1 cottage, and pays by the year 6d. (?)

¹ The entry as to the dates is obscure; possibly part of what is written should have been deleted.

Item, John Menys and Walter Banenyger [hold] 1 plot of cultivated land and 1 vineyard [*or vivary?*], and pay by the year 12*d.*

Item, Alexander Netherton [holds] 1 cottage, and pays by the year 2*s.* 2*d.*

Item, Henry le and pays by the year 6*d.*

Item, John de la More [holds] 1 plot of waste, and pays by the year 2*d.*

Sum 7*s.* 10*d.*

Customary tenants.

John de Pokeleston and William Muriel hold 2 messuages and 1 virgate of land, and pay by the year 10*s.* at the four terms, and owe suit from three weeks to three weeks for all services aforesaid; except blood-wite and the office of reeve, the value of which is not fixed. Also the same John holds "foretlond" [*or folkelond?*], and pays by the year for all services.

Sum 10*s.* 8*d.*

Rents of Customary tenants.

The jurors present that there are there 28 customary tenants who hold 14 virgates of land in villenage, each of whom renders by the year 2*s.* 6*d.*, and the works of those customary tenants are valued at 37*s.* 11*d.* for the underwritten services, viz. :—Each one shall plough for one day with half a plough [*team*] between Michaelmas and Christmas, or pay 1½*d.* Item, he shall plough with the fourth of a plough [*team*] between Christmas and the Annunciation. Item, he ought to make one hurdle for the sheepfold, or pay ½*d.*; also he must hedge for one day, or pay ½*d.*, and he must cut and carry the [crop of the] meadow, or pay 8*d.* He must also mow for 3 days or pay 3*d.*

Sum 107*s.* 11*d.*

Poll-money with "medueselvr."

There is due from the aforesaid Customary tenants yearly at the feast of St. Martin for poll-money 10*s.*, and for "medueselvr" 40*d.*, from which sum they have returned "*pro prato levandoque meduale*" 20*d.*

Sum 1 mark.

Pleas and perquisites.

Also the pleas and perquisites of the court with the tolls are worth by the year 53s. 4d.

Sum total of the extent 30*li.* 3*s.* 8½*d.*, of which the customary tenants pay "*pro meduale*" as aforesaid 20*d.*; and it is worth from all its issues 30*li.* 2*s.* 0½*d.*

The jurors say also that John Byset, son of the aforesaid John Byset, is his next heir, and was of the age of 5 years the 26th day of March, 35 Edward I. [1307].

Writ dated 8 May, 35 Edward I. [1307].

Inq. p.m., 35 *Edw. I.*, No. 43¹.

XVII.

JOAN, WIFE OF GILBERT DE CLARE²,
BUSHLEY AND HANLEY CASTLE.

Inquisition made at Bisscheley [*Bushley*] before the escheator of the king, 2 June, 3[5] Edward I. [A.D. 1307], of divers lands and tenements which Joan, who was the wife of Gilbert de Clare, formerly Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, held of the king in chief for the life of the same Joan, of the feoffment of the lord the king, upon the oaths of Walter Swift, John de Hudberwe, Gilbert Swift, Ralph Harmeles, Gilbert atte Brok', John Phelipp, John le Rowere, Robert "bi ye Wode," Walter T . . . , Richard Wymund, William atte Brok', Robert le Vinur, who present that the said Gilbert de Clare, formerly Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, held of the lord the king in chief, upon the day he died, the manor of Bisscheleye, with appurtenances, together with divers lands and tenements in England, by the service of seven and a half knight's fees, but what service the said manor by itself is held they do not know; and that the said Gilbert held nothing in the county of Worcester of any one except the King after the said feoffment, nor did any other land, after the said feoffment, fall to the heir of the said earl by escheat or otherwise.

¹ The condition of this document renders the reading in several places doubtful.

² See previous part of the Inquisitions, p. 56.

They present that there is at Bisscheley a capital messuage worth by the year, with the fruit and herbage of the garden, 2s. There are in demesne 80 acres of arable land worth 20s.; 12 acres of several pasture worth 6s.; 12 acres of meadow worth 12s.; a wind-mill which is worth yearly 6s. 8d.; whereof Margery de Brewes has the third part as her dower; a wood, whereof there are 6 acres of underwood, worth 12d. per acre, and the said Margery has the third part as her dower: the underwood cannot be sold, because of the game¹. There are rents of free tenants amounting in the whole, including a pound of pepper, to 67s. 8½d.; seven free tenants, each of whom pays 2d. at Michaelmas for having protection [*advocatio*]; one free tenant, who pays on the same day for the same 4s. Margery de Brewes receives annually from the same rents as dower 3s. [13s.?] 9½d. Sum total of the annual rent, including protections, 64s. 5d.

One customary tenant holding a messuage and three quarters of a virgate of land pays nothing, but has to plough and harrow for ten days at the winter sowing on Mondays; this ploughing and harrowing is worth altogether 2s. 3d.; he pays at Martinmas 1d. for every pig a year old. He does manual labour for the eight weeks following Michaelmas, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, except any of those days happen to be feast days, and that service is worth by the day ½d.; he works from Christmas to Easter, saving feast days, value 12d.; he ploughs and harrows at the winter sowing for nine days, worth by the day 2½d., and works from Easter to Midsummer every week for three days as before, saving feast days, and the value of that work is 12d.; he ploughs an acre of land every Monday from Easter to the Gules of August for the fourth part of a day, and it is valued as twenty days, value of the work 1d., because nothing is done in the weeks of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost. He works from Midsummer to the Gules of August for eleven days, value of the work 1d.; and reaps in Autumn for thirty-six days, value of the work 1d.; sum of the works by the year 12s. 8½d.

John Spiring holds only a fourth part of the land, so renders only a fourth part [*of the services*]; sum of the work by the year 2s. 2½d.

There are there five customary tenants of whom each holds half a virgate of land and renders nothing, but ploughing and harrowing

¹ Bushley formed part of Malvern Chase and it was an offence to cut vert.

at winter sowing for six days from Michaelmas until Christmas, worth by the day 3*d.*, does manual work during the same time for three days in every fortnight, saving feast days; the work is worth $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* a day; gives for every pig a year old at Martinmas 1*d.* Each ploughs and harrows for six days from Christmas to Easter, and that work is worth by the day 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*, and works for the same time at manual work, for three days, and the work is worth $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* Each ploughs from Easter until the Gules of August every Monday one acre of land, for the fourth part of a day, and the ploughing is worth by the same time . . . 2*d.* Each does manual work from Easter to Midsummer for three days in every fortnight, saving feast days, and the work is worth $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* a day. Each works only at manual labour from the feast of St. John the Baptist until the Gules of August, saving feast days, and the work is worth 3*s.* 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* Each reaps in Autumn for twenty-four days, and the worth of the work is 1*d.* a day; the total of the works of the said five customary tenants is 43*s.* 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

There are there eight customary tenants, each holds a messuage and six acres of land. Each works from Michaelmas to Christmas every week for two days, and the worth of the work by the day is $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; they do not work in the weeks of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost; they give pannage (*sic*) on St. Martin's day as above. They work from Christmas to Easter two days in each week, and the worth of the work is $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*, and from Easter to Midsummer for the same number of days, and from Midsummer to the Gules of August for ten days, worth of the work 1*d.*; they reap in autumn 24 days, worth of the work 1*d.*; the sum of the works of the aforesaid eight customary tenants is 46*s.* 8*d.*

There are there four cottagers, each of whom holds three acres of land and renders half a service . . . sum of their services 11*s.* 8*d.*

There are two cottagers, each of whom holds one cottage and two acres of land, and pays nothing by the year, but works from Michaelmas to Midsummer at manual labour every Monday; value of the work $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* a day, except the weeks of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost; total 1*s.* 6*d.*; from Midsummer to the Gules of August every Monday; value of the work 1*d.* a day; and from the Gules of August to Michaelmas in every fortnight for three days; value of the work 1*d.* a day; total value of the services of the two cottagers 5*s.* 7*d.*

Pleas and perquisites of Court are worth by the year 2s. (?).

All the customary tenants give at Hoke Day 13s. 4d. for chevage, and on Michaelmas Day 16s. $\frac{1}{2}$ d. for aid.

Sum of the whole extent 14*li.* 4s. 3d., whereof there is in dower . . .

The jurors say that Gilbert de Clare is son and next heir of Gilbert de Clare, formerly Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, and was of the age of 16 years on the eleventh of May, 35 Edward I. [A.D. 1307].

Inq. p.m., 35 Edw. I., File 101, mem. 51.

Inquisition made at Haneleye before the escheator 1 June, 35 Edward I. [A.D. 1307], upon the oath of Robert le Wodewarde, Robert atte Grene, John App . . lon, John Blundel, . . . atte Wode, Robert Tele, William Whitemar, Geoffrey Serle, Walter Girid, Gilbert Le . ., Adam Funan?, and William Brown, who present that the site of the manor of Hanley is worth nothing by the year except as a lodging for the lord on a visit [*perhendingacione domini*]; but there is there a garden worth yearly, with fruit and herbage, 2s. There are in demesne at Hanley 125 acres of arable land worth 3d. an acre, total 31s. 3d. There are in the field called Blakemore 145 acres of arable land worth by the acre 2d., total 24s. 2d.; there is a windmill worth yearly 6s. 8d.; a several pasture worth yearly 10s.; 20 acres of meadow worth by the acre 2s.; a several pasture at Blakemore worth yearly 4s.; a wood, part of Malvern Chace, the pannage whereof is worth yearly, when there shall be any, 13s. 4d.

There are three free tenants, who pay yearly 6*li.* 7s. 3d., and on St. Andrew's Day one pound of cummin value $\frac{1}{2}$ d. There are rents of . . . socmen¹ by the year 9*li.* 1s. 11d., and from the rent of one socman, 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.

William Whitemar with fourteen other socmen each work from Michaelmas for one day in every week, until the Gules of August, and the value of each work is $\frac{1}{2}$ d. They plough and harrow three selions at the winter and lent sowings, and the value of that ploughing and harrowing is 3d.; and they mow one "lawe sithe," and the value of the work is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. They make hay for two days, and the value of the work by the day is $\frac{1}{2}$ d., and carry one load of hay, and the value of the work is 1d. And each of them works from the Gules of August until Michaelmas every week

¹ Number not stated.

for a day and a half with one man, and the value of the work by the day is $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; they carry one load of corn, and the value of the work is $1d.$; they brew twice before Christmas, and the value of the work is $2d.$; each makes a hurdle at Pentecost, and the value of the work is $\frac{1}{4}d.$; certain of those fifteen socmen, viz., Robert Tele, works at carrying hay with two men, and the value of the work is $1d.$ They do three bederips, and the value of the work is $4\frac{1}{4}d.$ Robert in le Hale, one of the said fifteen, does the moiety of such work as William Whitemar. Walter Brown, another of the said fifteen socmen, does twice as much work as the said William Whitemar; and Walter . . . another of the said fifteen socmen, does the [other] moiety of such work. Sum of the works of William Whitemar by the year 4s. $1\frac{1}{4}d.$ Sum total of the works of William Whitemar with the other fourteen socmen for the whole year, except for the weeks of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, in which they do no work, 70s. $3d.$

There are there twenty socmen, each of whom does a moiety of the work of William Whitemar, for the whole year, except the three weeks as above. Value of their work 42s. $1d.$ The work of William Brown, one of the twenty socmen, is worth $12\frac{1}{2}d.$, because he does the moiety of the work of William Whitemar; the moiety of such work [*sic*], and the work of Reginald le Garde, another of the said twenty socmen, is worth $12\frac{1}{4}d.$, because he works as the said William Brown; the work of Richard Frowyne, another of the said twenty socmen, because he works the moiety of the work of William Whitemar and the fourth part of such work; and the work of Gilbert atte Hull is worth $16\frac{1}{4}d.$, because he does three parts of the work of William Whitemar; the work of Robert Cut(?), another of the said twenty socmen, for carrying hay is worth $1d.$; and for three bederipes $4\frac{1}{4}d.$; sum total of the works of the aforesaid twenty socmen by the year 46s. $2\frac{1}{4}d.$

There are two socmen, viz. Peter atte Wode and Gilbert Phelipp, one of whom works all the year at manual labour, for one day in every week, except in the weeks of Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, value by the day $\frac{1}{4}d.$; he works for two days in every three weeks by the year at manual labour, and the value by the day is $\frac{1}{4}d.$ And he ploughs and harrows three selions at the winter sowing; that ploughing and harrowing is worth $3\frac{1}{4}d.$ He mows a "lawe sithe," and the work is worth $2\frac{1}{2}d.$

He makes hay for one day, and the work is worth $\frac{1}{2}d.$ Carries one load of hay, and the value of the load is $\frac{1}{2}d.$ Stacks the hay in the grange, and the value of the work is $\frac{1}{2}d.$ He works in the autumn for eight weeks, viz. every week for one day, and in every three weeks for two days, and the value of the work by the day is $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ He works no more at manual labour; but carries half a load of corn, and the value of the load is $\frac{1}{2}d.$; if the lord provides half a man [he works] at the brewing twice in the year, the value of the work is $1d.$; and he makes one hurdle and the value of the work is $\frac{1}{2}d.$ Total value of the services of the aforesaid Peter and Gilbert for the year 10s. 8d.

There are seven socmen, each of whom makes hay for two days, and the value of the work is by the day $\frac{1}{2}d.$ They do three bederipes, and the value of the work is $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ The value of the work of Richard le Hunte, one of the seven socmen, for one "lawe sithe" is $2\frac{1}{2}d.$ The work of Richard de for one "lawe sithe" $2\frac{1}{2}d.$ Total of the works of the same seven socmen by the year 4s. 2d.

There are three socmen, viz., Edith Derling, Walter Finch, and Jordan Finch, who do the same service as William Whitemar Total of the works of the same by the year 8s. $2\frac{1}{2}d.$

Adam Sparks does the fourth part of the work of William Whitemar, sum $12\frac{1}{2}d.$

William Isbel works from Michaelmas to the Gules of August for one day in every week.¹

M. 52^d. Adam Finian? ploughs and harrows four selions at the winter and Lent sowings, value of the work is 4d. (?). He makes two hurdles price $\frac{1}{2}d.$ He makes for the lord two quarters of malt, value of the work 4d. He mows for one day, value of the work He makes hay for three days, value of the work $\frac{1}{2}d.$; he stacks the hay in the grange with two men (?), value of the work 1d.; he reaps in autumn for eleven days, value of the work by the day $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ Lucy Smithes makes hay for one day, value of the work $\frac{1}{2}d.$, and she reaps in autumn for $1\frac{1}{2}$ days, value of the work, $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; Edith sum $2\frac{3}{4}d.$; Adam Lechemer' for work only, $2\frac{3}{4}d.$; Rose de Severng makes hay? for

¹ The rest of this membrane is almost illegible, but it appears to state the services of other tenants.

two days, value of the work $1d.$; she reaps in autumn four days, value of the work by the day $1\frac{1}{2}d.$, sum $7d.$ Nicholas makes hay two days, value of the work $1d.$; he does three bederipes, and the value of those works is $4\frac{1}{2}d.$, sum $5\frac{1}{2}d.$ Sampson, for works only $5\frac{1}{2}d.$ Richard Isbel makes hay for half a day, value of the work $\frac{1}{2}d.$, and he reaps in autumn for half a day. value of the work $1\frac{1}{2}d.$, sum $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ John Blundel keeps the lord's meadow during hay-making, and the value of the work is $1d.$, and he keeps in the autumn the lord's corn for two days, to see that it is properly reaped, and the value of the work is $1d.$ Richard Brown makes hay for two days, value of the work $\frac{1}{2}d.$ a day, and he does three bederipes; the value of those works is $4\frac{1}{2}d.$, sum $5d.$

The jury also present that all the socmen on Michaelmas day pay for aid $40s.$ and on the same day on account of "Godomel" $7s. 11d.$, and on Christmas Day for grinding (?), $8s. 8d.$

There are four potters who pay to the lord $2s.$ All the socmen on Hoke Day pay 5 marks. Pleas and perquisites of court are worth by the year $6s. 8d.$

Finding as to the heir, as above (Gilbert de Clare)¹.

Sum total of extent, $36li. 16s. 11\frac{3}{4}d.$, and one pound of cummin, value $1d.$

Inq. p.m., 35 *Edw. I.*, No. 47, membranes 51 and 52.

XVIII.

ROGER LE PRIOUR, HOLEBOREGHE (OLDBERROW).

Inquisition taken before the Sheriff of Worcester at Wycham (?) on Monday next before the feast of St. Peter in Cathedro, 35 Edward I. [A.D. 1306], upon the oaths of William de Bosco, William de Kynton, Richard Achelard, Walter Blanchard, Robert Union, John de Penedok, John Attelwyde, Richard Pernele, John Nicholes, Thomas Sohirrene, Thomas Le Diakene, and Richard de Stone, who say upon their oath that the acre of land with appurtenances in Holeboreghe, of Roger le Priour, who was outlawed for felony, is in the king's hands for a year and a day, that the said Roger held the same of John de Incebergh [*Inkberrow*]. And William Outhegne of Holeboreghe holds the same by transfer (*ex traditione*) from John

¹ See *ante*, p. 23.

de Dosford, sub-escheator in the same county. The same William had the King's year and day, and ought to answer therefor to the King.

Writ dated 4 Oct. 34 Edward I. [1306].

Inq. p.m., 35 *Edw. I.*, No. 48.

EDWARD II.

I.

HENRY LE WALEYS, SHELSLEY.

Inquisition taken at Scheldeslegh [*Shelsley*] before the Escheator, 12 June, 1 Edward II. [1308], namely of the lands and tenements which Henry le Waleys [*Walsh* ?] held of the heirs of Hugh de Mortimer, of Richard's Castle, being within age and in the custody of the King, and of which the same Henry was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, upon the oaths of Robert, son of Job (*Jovis*), Henry de Martelegh, Thomas de Burton, Henry . . . ggeram, Henry de Sulstan, Philip de Hanne, Hugh de la Dyngele, John de Mareys, Simon de Clifton, John le Boleter, Hugh le Mareschal, and Roger de Wasseburn, who say that the aforesaid Henry held in his demesne as of fee the hamlet of Sheldeslegh, with the appurtenances of the heirs of the aforesaid Hugh by the service of a fourth part of one knight's fee ; in which hamlet there is a certain capital messuage worth yearly, with the profits of the garden, 2*s*. And there are there 60 acres of land worth yearly 20*s*., value per acre, 4*d*. ; and 3 acres of meadow worth yearly 6*s*., value per acre 2*s*. ; and 2 acres of several pasture, worth yearly 12*d*., value per acre 6*d*. ; and 4 acres of wood worth yearly, without waste, 16*d*., value per acre 4*d*. There is there also a certain water-mill worth yearly in all issues 10*s*. 6*d*., and a certain free tenant who pays yearly for rent of assize 13*d*. And there are there 4 villeins who pay yearly, as well for works as for rent of assize, 20*s*., namely, each of them 5*s*., at the feast of St. Michael.

William, son of the said Henry le Waleys, is his next heir, and is of the age of 40 years.

Endorsement by the Escheator. The aforesaid Henry held no other lands or tenements in my bailiwick on the day he died, except the lands and tenements contained in this inquisition.

Writ dated 18 May, 1 Edward II. [1308].

Inq. p.m., 1 *Edw. II.*, No. 17.

II.

JOAN, COUNTESS OF PEMBROKE, INKBERROW.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements of which Joan de Valence, late Countess of Pembroke, was seized in her demesne as of fee on the day she died ; namely, what land and tenements the same Joan held of the King in chief, and what of others, and by what services, and what those lands were worth by the year in all issues, and who is her next heir, and of what age ; taken before the Escheator at Inteberg' [*Inkberrow*], 14 October, 1 Edward II. [A.D. 1307], upon the oaths of John del Hale, Adam de Burmichan, John Strech, Thomas Davi, Henry Coleman, John de Bolter, William de Seyngbur', William le Freman, Roger de Parco, Richard Eggeok, Henry Gerard, and William Fitz-Peter, who present that the aforesaid Joan was seized in her demesne as of fee, on the day she died, of one manor with appurtenances in Inteberg', held of the King in chief as of the office of marshal (*marchacia*) of England by knight's service. In which manor there is a capital messuage, with the fruits and herbage of the garden, worth yearly 6s. 8d. There are also there in demesne 100 acres of arable land, worth 3d. an acre ; 10 acres of meadow, worth 2s. an acre ; a several pasture, worth yearly 2s. ; and the 8th part of a water-mill, worth yearly 10d. The rent of the free tenants is 20s. 5d., and the assart rents are 27s. 9d. There are there seven customary tenants who pay yearly 4*li.* 9s. 3d., and 4 cottagers, who pay yearly 4s. 6d. The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 6s. 8d.

Sum total of the whole extent, 10*li.* 3s. 1d.

Aylmer de Valence is the next heir of the said Joan, and is of the age of 26 years and more.

Writ dated 20 Sept., 1 Edward II. [1307].

Inq. o.m., 1 *Edw. II.*, No. 58, *mem.* 5.

III.

MAUD, WIFE OF HUGH DE MORTIMER,

(a) VARIOUS PLACES. (b) COTHERIDGE.

(c) WYCHBOLD.

(a) *Various places.*

Inquisition made at Worcester before the Escheator, 8 April, 1 Edward II. [A.D. 1308], namely, upon the true value of the knight's fees, and advowsons of churches which Maud, formerly the wife of Hugh de Mortimer, deceased, held in the county of Worcester on the day she died of the inheritance which belonged to the aforesaid Hugh, and which, by reason of the death of the same Maud, and the minority of the heir of the same Hugh, are in the custody of the King; by the oaths of Hugh Algar, Hugh de Coderugge, Hugh de Cottele, William de Hanewode, Henry de Solustan, Walter de Onkerdam [*sic Ankerdine*], Richard Cyrcote, Richard Attehall, Walter Gilofre, Richard Bryan, Henry de Bernwell, and Arnald Segrym¹, jurors, who present that Peter Corbet held of the same Maud, on the day she died, the manor of Imeney, with appurtenances, by the service of one knight's fee, and worth in all [issues] yearly 30*li*.

Thomas de Arderne held of the same Maud the manor of Astwode, with the appurtenances by the service of three-fourths of a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 10*li*.

John de Kyngeslond held of the same Maud the hamlet of Kyngeslond by the fourth part of a knight's fee, and is worth in all issues yearly 20*s*.

Adam de Elmerugge [*Elmbridge?*] held of the same Maud the manor of Elmerugge, with appurtenances, by one fee and the sixth part of one knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 24*li*.

Henry de Peremort held of the same Maud the manor of Purshull by half a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 10*li*.

William de Hanewod held the hamlet of Almerugge [*Elmbridge?*] of the same Maud by the 10th part of a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 40*s*.

Guy de Beauchamp held the manor of Croule [*Crowle*] of the same Maud with appurtenances by the service of one knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 20*li*.

Grimbald Pauncefot held the manor of Wycton [*Witton*] of

¹ See *post*, p. 31.

the same Maud by the service of half a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 8*li*.

Adam Juvenis of Coderugge held one carucate of land in Coderugge of the same Maud by the 12th part of a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 13*s*. 4*d*.

Henry de Ribesford held of the same Maud the hamlets of Roke and Holine by half a knight's fee, and it is worth in all services yearly 10*li*.

Roger de Mortimer held of the same Maud the manor of Clyfton [*Clyfton on Teme*], by half a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 8*li*.

Henry le Waleys held of the same Maud the manor of Scheldesley [*Shelsley*], by the fourth part of a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 100*s*.

John Wyard held of the same Maud the manor of Ouyre by half a knight's fee, and it is worth yearly 100*s*.

Roger Pychard held of the same Maud the manor of Sapy [*Sapy Pichard*], by the fourth part of a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 60*s*.

Robert Sturmy held of the same Maud the manors of Sutton and Oversapy [*Sutton Sturmy and Upper Sapy*], by one fee and the fourth part of a knight's fee, and they are worth in all issues yearly 15*li*.

Henry de Lacy held of the same Maud the manor of Temedebury [*Tenbury*], with appurtenances, by two knight's fees, and it is worth in all issues yearly 30*li*.

The heirs of William de Loges held of the same Maud the manor of Yeddefen Loges [*Edwin Loach*], with appurtenances, by half a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 100*s*.

Hugh de Mortimer held of the same Maud the hamlet of Kurkedon by half a knight's fee, and it is worth in all issues yearly 6*li*.

The jurors also present that the advowson of the church of Yeddefen Loges belongs to the presentation of the said Maud, and that church is worth yearly 100*s*. The advowson of the church of All Saints in Worcester belongs to the same Maud, and is worth yearly 100*s*.

Writ dated 11 March, 1 Edward II. [1308].

Inq. p.m., 1 *Edw. II.*, No. 59.

(b) Cotheridge.

Inquisitions made at Wychebaud and Coderugge before the Escheator on Monday, the morrow of Palm Sunday, 1 Edward II. [A.D. 1308], of the lands and tenements which Maud, wife of Hugh de Mortimer of Richard's Castle, held for the term of her life of the inheritance of the heirs of the aforesaid Hugh, being within age and in the custody of the King, upon the oaths of Hugh Algar, Hugh de Coderugge, Hugh de Cottele, William de Hanewode, Henry de Solstan, Walter de Ancredeham [*sic Ankerdine*], Richard Cyrecok', Richard atte Halle, William Gylofre, Richard Bryan, Henry de Bernwell and Arnalde de Prigheleye [*sic*]¹, who present that the aforesaid Maud held, on the day she died, the manor of Coderugge for the term of her life, and the manor of Wychebaud in the name of dower of inheritance² of the King in chief. In the same manor of Coderugge there is a certain principal messuage 2s., and one orchard, worth yearly with pasture 18d. vineyard, and worth yearly 10s. There are also in the same manor in demesne 290 acres worth yearly in the whole 7*li.* 5s., value per acre 6d.; and 33 acres of meadow worth yearly in the whole 66s., value per acre 2s.; also a several pasture worth yearly 24s., and underwood worth yearly to sell, without making destruction, 5s. There is also there one water-mill worth yearly 20s. Also there are in the same manor free rents of assize from the free tenants 100s. 4d., and from the villeins and "forlotti," worth by their works and rents yearly 13*li.* 18s. 0*½*d. The pleas and perquisites of the courts are worth yearly 40s.

Sum of the whole extent of the manor of Coderugge 35*li.* 8s.

(c) Wychbold.

They also present that in the said manor of Wychebaud there is a certain principal messuage worth yearly 2s., and two orchards worth yearly 4s. There are in the same manor in demesne 25 acres of arable land worth 4*li.*, and . . . acres of meadow worth

¹ See *ante*, p. 29² Document torn.

yearly in the whole 72s., value per acre 3s.; also a several pasture worth yearly 5s., and underwood worth yearly for sale, without destruction being made, 2s. There is there also one water-mill worth yearly 20s. The toll traverse [*tolnetum transversum*] is worth yearly 20s. There are of free tenants who pay yearly in free rents of assize 8*li.* 3s. 2½*d.*, and of the poll-penny on the feast of St. Kenelm 26s. 8*d.*, and the customary villeins and "forlotti" are worth in works and rents yearly 10*li.* 6s. 8½*d.* The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 40s.

Sum total of the extent of the manor of Wychbaud

Writ dated 15 Feb. 1 Edward II. [1308].

Inq. p.m., 1 *Edw. II.*, No. 59*b.*

IV.

ADAM DE ELMERUGGE,

ELMBRIDGE.

Inquisition made before the escheator at Elmerugge on Monday next after the feast of St. Matthew the Apostle, 2 Edward II. [A.D. 1308], of the lands and tenements of which Adam de Elmerugge was seised in his demesne, as a fee upon the day he died, upon the oaths of John de P nott, John Cordiwan, William de Kersey, Andrew le Messenger, John Fayteyng, Walter de Permet?, John de Trewebryge, Stephen Bishop, William de Schypton, Thomas atte Segh. Hugh atte Brok' and John atte Herdwyk, who present that the aforesaid Adam held in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died the hamlet of Elmerugge of the heirs of Hugh de Mortimer of Richard's Castle, deceased, being then in the custody of the king, by the service of the third part of a knight's fee. In which hamlet there is a certain capital messuage, which is worth, with the profit of the garden and curtilage, yearly 2s. There are there 80 acres of land, worth yearly 2 marks; two acres of meadow worth yearly 4s.; a certain piece of several pasture worth yearly 40*d.*; four acres of wood worth yearly 12*d.*; and rents of assize of the free tenants 4s. 1*d.* They say that there are no pleas and perquisites, because they owe suit at the court of Wychebaud.

Roger, son of the aforesaid Adam, is his next heir, and was aged 26 years on Michaelmas day last past.

Writ dated 5 September, 2 Edward II. [1308].

Inq. p.m., 2 Edw. II., No. 18.

V.

WILLIAM DE KERDYF,
QUEENHILL.

Inquisition taken before the escheator at Quenhull on Friday next after the feast of St. Matthias the Apostle, 2 Edward II. [A.D. 1309], of the lands and tenements of which William de Kerdyf was seised in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, upon the oaths of Richard Pippard, Nicholas de Mochelegros, Robert Jones, James de Mochelegros, Robert de Newenton, Richard le Jungge, William de Wrenneford, William Mose, Richard of the Marsh [*Marisco*], John de Hudbere, William Golafre; and Farr, who say that the aforesaid William de Kerdyf held on the day he died the hamlet of Quenhull of the King in chief by the service of the payment of one great hound [*brachettū*] by the year, at the feast of St. John the Baptist whensoever the King was in England, and if he were outside the kingdom to render it at the exchequer without doing therefor any other service. In which hamlet there is a certain capital messuage which is worth yearly, with the profits of the garden and the curtilage, 40*d.*; 80 acres of land, worth yearly 26*s.* 8*d.*; 12 acres of meadow, worth yearly 12*s.*; 3 acres of several pasture, worth yearly 3*s.*; rent of assize from the free tenants 10*s.*; 5 bondmen who pay yearly, as well for work as rent of assize, 15*s.*

Paul, son of the aforesaid William de Kerdyf, is next heir to the said William and is aged 30 years.

Return by the Escheator. The aforesaid William held no other lands or tenements in my bailiwick on the day he died.

Writ dated 23 January, 2 Edward II. [1309].

Inq. p.m., 2 Edw. II., No. 27.

VI.

WILLIAM DE MORTIMER¹,
MARTLEY, SUTTON [STURMEY].

Inquisition taken before the escheator of the King at Marteley on Sunday next after the feast of the Epiphany, 2 Edward II. [A.D. 1309], of the lands and tenements of which William de Mortimer was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, by the oaths of Adam le Jugge, Henry de well, John de Fathey, Robert Godwyne, Elye de Horsham, Henry Inggeram, William le Bakere, John de Ranw . . . ne (?), Henry de P, Richard Gadinger, Hugh de la Dyngle, and Roger de Gayton, who present that the aforesaid William held nothing of the King in chief on the day he died, but that he held 30 acres of arable land and two acres of meadow, by lease of Robert de Mortimer for the term of the life of the same William, of the inheritance of the heirs of Hugh de Mortimer; and they are worth yearly 10s. The same William held one messuage and 9 acres of land in fee of Isabella de Mortimer by the service of 5s. yearly, and the said messuage and land are worth, beyond the rent aforesaid, 2s. (?). They also present that the same William held at Sutton one messuage and half a virgate of land in fee of Robert de Sturmeby by the service of 5s., worth yearly, beyond the rent aforesaid, 12d. The same William held also at Sutton half a virgate of land in fee of de Clifford, by the service of one pound of cinnamon yearly, and it is worth yearly 3s. They also present that the heirs of Hugh de Mortimer [are] the next heirs to the same William, and that Joan, the wife of Thomas de Wikenor, one of the heirs of the aforesaid Hugh, is of the age of 17 years, and Margaret, the wife of Geoffrey de Cornewaile, the other heir to the aforesaid Hugh, is of the age of 14 years and a half.

Writ dated 2 Nov., 2 Edward II.

Inq. p.m., 2 Edw. II., No. 65.

¹ In the writ William is called William de Mortimer of "*Hamme*," but in the Inquisition merely William de Mortimer. Hamme would probably be Ham Castle.

VII.

JOHN WALRAND,
TATLINGTON, EDMUNDSCOTE.

Mem. 31. Inquisition taken before the escheator at Tatlington on Sunday in the octave of St. Matthew the Apostle [A.D. 1309?], of all the lands and tenements of which John Walrand was seised in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died, and which by reason of the idiotcy of the said John are in the hands of the king, on the oaths of Robert de Somery, Robert de Schorgemorton (*sic*), Walter de Ernley?, John Blanket, Giles de Pynton, Walter de Perdeswell, Richard de Hulle of Grafton, Robert Bate, Richard Morice, Thomas de Newbolt, Ernald Lenelance, and John de Blokele, who present that John Walrand held nothing of the king in chief on the day he died, in the aforesaid county, but they present that he held the hamlet of Tatlington and a moiety of the hamlet of Edmundscote with the appurtenances of the Bishop of Worcester, by the service of half a knight's fee. In which hamlet of Tatlington there is a certain capital messuage which is worth yearly 40*d.*; 270 acres of land, worth yearly 67*s.* 6*d.*; 7 acres of meadow, worth yearly 9*s.*; one acre of several pasture, worth yearly 12*d.*; a certain watermill, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; 12 bondmen [*nativi*], each of them holding half a virgate of land, and paying yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 5*s.* 5½*d.*; and three cottagers [*coterelli*], who pay yearly 6*s.*

There are at Edmundscote 120 acres of land, worth yearly 40*s.*; two acres of meadow, worth yearly 3*s.*; five free tenants, who pay yearly 17*s.*; 6 bondmen [*nativi*] who pay yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 4*li.*

They present that the pleas and perquisites of the court there are worth yearly 2*s.*

Alan de Plogenet, son of Alan de Plogenet, is next heir to the said John, and is aged 24 years and more.

Sum of the whole 15*li.* 1*s.* 0*d.*

Mem. 32. Inquisition taken at Tatlington on Tuesday next after the feast of the Ascension, 1 Edward II. [A.D. 1307], of all the lands and tenements which were of the inheritance of John Walrand, of which Robert Walrand his uncle was seised in his demesne as

of fee on the day he died, upon the oaths of Thomas Sampsoan, John Adam of Blokele, Henry Clerk, John de Norwich, John de Hampton, Ernald Lenelance, Thomas de Newebolt, William, son of Emma, Richard Lumbard, Gilbert de Newebolt; Phillip Aleyn, John Semonnettes, and John Freman, who present that John Walrand held nothing of the king in chief in the county aforesaid on the day he died, but they present that he held the hamlet of Tatlington of the Bishop of Worcester by the service of half a knight's fee, in which hamlet there is a certain capital messuage, which is worth yearly, with the profits of the garden and curtilage, 40*d.*; 270 acres of land, worth yearly 67*s.* 6*d.*; 6 acres of meadow, worth yearly 9*s.*; 2 acres of several pasture, worth yearly 12*d.*; a certain watermill, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; a free tenant who pays yearly 14*s.*; 12 bondmen, each of them holding half a virgate of land, and paying yearly, both in rent of assize and in work, 5*s.* 5½*d.*; 5 bondmen, each of them holding one virgate of land, and paying yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 17*s.*; 9 cottagers, who pay yearly 22*s.* 4*d.*

Pleas and perquisites of the court there are worth yearly 2*s.*

John de Eddeworth, son of Alice de Eddeworth, one of the aunts of the aforesaid John Walrand, Alice de Everingham, daughter of Cecily, another aunt, Bevis de Knovile, son of Joan de Knovile, daughter of the same Cecily, Maude la Bret', and Cecily de Heylioun, wife of Peter de Heylioun, daughters of Cecily, the third daughter of the said Cecily [the aunt], are kinsfolk and next heirs of the same John, and the aforesaid John de Eddeworth is aged forty years, Alice de Everingham is aged forty-two years, Bevis de Knovile is aged thirty years, Maude la Bret' is aged thirty-three years, and Cecily de Heylioun is aged twenty-eight years.

Sum of the whole extent 13½*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*

Mem. 33. Inquisition taken before the escheator at Worcester on Sunday in the feast of St. Margaret the Virgin, 3 (*sic*) Edward II. [A.D. 1310], of all the lands and tenements which were of the inheritance of John Walrand, of which Robert Walrand, uncle of the same John, was seised in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, upon the oaths of Robert de Somery, Walter de Ernold, John Blanket', Giles de Pynton, Walter de Perdeswell, Richard de Hulle, of Grafton, Robert Bate, Robert de Throkemorton, Thomas de

Neubold, Stephen de Dymmok', Richard Morice, and John le Baker?, who present that Robert Walrand held nothing of the king in chief upon the day he died, but that he held the hamlet of Tatlington with the appurtenances of the Bishop of Worcester by the service of half a knight's fee. In which hamlet there is a certain capital messuage, which is worth yearly, with the profits of the garden and curtilage, 40*d.*; 270 acres of arable land, worth yearly 67*s.* 6*d.*; 6 acres of meadow, worth yearly 9*s.*; two acres of several pasture, worth yearly 2*s.*; a certain watermill, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; a certain free tenant who pays yearly 14*s.*; 12 bondmen, each of whom holds half a virgate of land and pays yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 5*s.* 5½*d.*; 6 bondmen, each of whom holds one virgate of land and pays yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 17*s.*; 9 cottagers, who pay yearly 12*s.* 4*d.* There is a certain cottager in Tredynton who pays yearly 3*s.*

Pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 2*s.*

William Walrand, father of the aforesaid John Walrand, deceased, had only one sister of the whole blood named Alice.

Alan Plukenet, deceased, was son of the same Alice. Alan, son of Alan Plukenet, is next heir to the aforesaid John Walrand and is aged twenty-three years.

Mem. 34. Inquisition taken before the escheator at Worcester on Tuesday next after the feast of St. Bartholomew, 3 Edward II. [A.D. 1310], of the lands and tenements which were John Walrand's, upon the day he died, and which by reason of his idiotcy are in the hands of the King, upon the oaths of Thomas de Neubold, Thomas Sampson, Henry le Clerk, of Neubold, Gilbert de Neubold, John de Walsued, Richard Phelip, Walter Bryd, John de Molend', Geoffrey Thurstayn, Robert Mynty, Richard Mynty, and Nicholas de Knyghtwyk', who present that the said John Walrand held nothing of the King in chief in the aforesaid county, but that he held of the Bishop of Worcester the hamlet of Tatlington, and a moiety of the hamlet of Edmundescote with the appurtenances by the service of half a knight's fee. In which hamlet of Tatlington there is a certain capital messuage which is worth yearly 40*d.*; 270 acres of arable land, worth yearly 67*s.* 6*d.*; 6 acres of meadow, worth yearly 9*s.*; one acre of several pasture, worth yearly 12*d.*; a certain watermill, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; 12 bondmen, each of whom holds

half a virgate of land and pays yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 5s. 5½d.; three cottagers, who each pay yearly 2s. There are at Edmundescote 120 acres of arable land which are worth yearly 40s.; two acres of meadow, worth yearly 3s.; six bondmen who pay yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 4*li.*; five free tenants who pay yearly 17s.

Pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 6s. 8d.

Bevis de Knovill, son of Joan de Knovill, one of the daughters of Cecily, aunt of the same John Walrand, and Alice de Everyngham, another daughter of the same Cecily, Maud la Brut [Britt?], and Cecily de Helyon, wife of Peter de Helyon, daughter of Cecily [the aunt], third daughter of the said Cecily, are kinsfolk, and next heirs of the aforesaid John Walrand.

The said Bevis is aged 30 years, Alice de Everyngham is aged 40 years, Maud la Brut is aged 28 years, Cecily de Helyon is aged 26 years.

Sum 15*li.* 5s. 8d.¹

Inq. p.m., 2 Edw. II., No. 80.

VIII.

ROBERT DE TONY,

ABBERLEY.

Inquisition taken before the escheator at Albedelewe 24 [23?] December, 3 Edward II. [A.D. 1309], of all the lands and tenements of which Robert de Tony was seised in his demesne as a fee upon the day he died, upon the oaths of John de Baddeby, John de la More, Richard de la Felde, John de Berwe, Adam de Sued, William Godrich, William de Boyton, Adam de la More, Adam le Parker, John de Synteley, John Freman, and Adam atte Mull, who present that the aforesaid Robert de Tony held of the King in chief on the day he died, in his demesne as of fee, the manor of Albedelewe with appurtenances in the county of Worcester, as member of the castle of Colewente, which castle is held of the King in chief by the service of finding one man at Colewente with bow and arrow

¹ These writs are so mixed up as to make it quite impossible to say which Inquisition is a return to which writ.

for twenty days whenever there shall be war in Wales. In which manor of Albedeleye there is a certain capital messuage which is worth yearly 40*d.*; one carucate of land, which contains 120 acres, worth yearly 40*s.*; 2 acres of meadow, worth yearly 3*s.*; a certain watermill, worth yearly 40*d.*; a certain park, of which the profit is worth yearly 10*s.*; a certain wood, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; rents of assize of free tenants 37*s.* 5*d.*: to wit, Adam le Parker 10*s.*, John de Syntel 9*s.*, Adam Sued 3*s.*, William de Bayton 11*s.* 8*d.*, William Godrich 2*s.* 6*d.*, William Fitz Hugh 9*d.*, William le Hog' 6*d.* There are also 80 leaseholders [*terminarii*] who pay yearly, both in work and in rent of assize, 22*li.* 2*s.* 7*d.* Pleas and profits of the court there are worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.* Alice, formerly the wife of Thomas de Leyburn, sister of the aforesaid Robert, is next heir of the same Robert, and is aged 25 years.

Total yearly value of the aforesaid manor 27*li.* 19*s.* 8*d.*

Writ dated 28 November, 3 Edward II. [1309].

Inq. p.m. 3 *Edw. II.* No. 33.

IX.

JOAN, WIFE OF JOHN MUCHEGROS [MUCKROS].

LANGEDON [LONGDON].

Inquisition of the lands, houses, woods, and gardens, which were held by Joan, formerly wife of John Muchegros, in dower, of the inheritance of James, son of John de Muchegros, in Langedon, taken before the sheriff of Worcester on Saturday next after the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4 Edward II. [A.D. 1310], to enquire what waste, sale, and destruction the aforesaid Joan had made in the aforesaid tenement, to wit, in digging and selling one marl pit worth forty shillings, and throwing down two chambers worth ten pounds, one grange worth one hundred shillings, and cutting down and selling ten oaks, each worth two shillings, one hundred pear trees, each worth two shillings, and one hundred apple trees, each worth two shillings, to the disinheritation of the same James, by the oaths of John de Pupplinton, Thomas de Walecote, Thomas de Poywyke, William Mose, Robert de Amyas, John de Solers, Edmund Drake, Walter le Neven,

Robert de la Grave, William de Ledene, Nicholas le Wodeward, and Nicholas de Sonnebury, who present that the aforesaid Joan made no waste by digging and selling one marl pit in one rood of land, but that she committed waste in throwing down two chambers worth one hundred shillings, and one grange worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence, in cutting down and selling ten oak trees worth sixpence each, four pear trees worth fivepence each, and four apple trees worth fivepence each, to the disinheritation of the same James.

Writ dated 13 July, 4 Edward II. [1310].

Inq. p.m., 4 *Edw. II.*, No. 56.

X.

WALTER DE GLOUCESTER, TATLINGTON.

Inquisition taken before the escheator of the King at Tadlington, 18 Sept., 5 Edward II. [A.D. 1311], of the lands and tenements of which Walter de Gloucester was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, and of what lands the same Walter held of the King in chief and what of others, and by what services, and what those lands were worth by the year in all issues, and who is his next heir, and of what age: by the oaths of Ernald Lene-launce, Thomas de Neubold, John de Cnennelode (?), clerk, John Fitz-Gilbert, John de Frethorn, Gilbert de Neubold, William de Admundescotte, Richard Celestr', Robert le Botteler, Ralph de Tredentone, John West of Aston, and John Blockeleye, who present that the same Walter held in his demesne as of fee, on the day he died, the manor of Tadlington in the county of Worcester, of the Bishop of Worcester, by the service of half a knight's fee, and that there is there a capital messuage with a garden, curtilage, and one dovecote, worth yearly 6s. 8d. There are there 200 acres of arable land, worth yearly 66s. 8d., per acre 4d.; and 10 acres of meadow, worth yearly 40s., and a certain pasture, worth yearly 16d., and a certain watermill, worth yearly 10s. There are there 6 free tenants who hold divers tenements, and pay yearly rent of assize 14s. at Michaelmas, Christmas, and Easter, and a pound of cinnamon at the feast of St. Martin. And they

present that there are there 11 villeins who hold 11 virgates of land in villenage, and each of them pays yearly 8s. 10d. rent of assize, sum 4*li.* 17s. 2d. at the 4 terms, viz. at Michaelmas, Christmas, Easter, and the gules of August, and each gives two bushels of corn at the feast of St. Martin, worth 12d., and each of them mows 5 days in the year, and that work is worth 10d., value of each work 2d.; and each of them makes their lord's hay for two days, worth 1d., value of each work ½d.; and each of them hoes for 3 days, worth 1½d., value of each work ½d.; and each of them works from the gules of August until the feast of St. Michael 4 days every week, viz. 32 days, and that work is worth 2s. 8d., value of each work 1d.; and each of them makes in Autumn three "bederippes" worth 3d., value of each work 1d.

And there are there 4 cottagers who hold 10 cottages and pay yearly 11s. at the 4 terms aforesaid; the pleas and perquisites of the Court are worth by the year 3s. 4d.

Total yearly value of the extent 15*li.* 4s. 8½d.

Walter de Gloucester, son of Walter de Gloucester, is his next heir, and was of the age of 17 years on the 15th of January last past.

Writ dated 26 August, 5 Edward II. [1311].

Inq. p.m., 5 *Edw. II.*, No. 66.

XI.

GRIMBALD PAUNCEFOTE, BENTLEY.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements late of Grimbald' Pauncfot, taken before the escheator of the King at Bordeslege [*Bordesley*], 5 August, 8 Edward II. [A.D. 1314], by the oaths of Thomas de Stoke, John le Cok, Richard Achelard, Richard atte Blakeforde, Henry Hercar, William Clerk, Richard de Shiltwode, William Walter, Richard le Valer, Walter de la Heth, and Robert le Taylour: who present that the same Grimbald held nothing of the King in chief on the day he died, in the county of Worcester, but he held at Bentleye in the same county one messuage, which 300 acres of land, is worth yearly

the value per acre 3*d.*, and 30 acres of wood, worth yearly 15*s.*, and 8 acres of meadow, worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.*, held of the Earl of Warwick by the service of one knight's fee, and they are worth in all issues 103*s.* 4*d.* They also present that Emeric Pauncefoot is the next heir, of full age and more.

Return by the Escheator. The aforesaid Grimbald held no other lands in my bailiwick on the day he died, except the lands contained in this inquisition.

Writ dated 2 June, 7 Edward II. [1314].

Inq. p.m., 8 *Edw.* II., No. 8.

XII.

ROBERT DE CLIFFORD, SEVERNSTOKE.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements late of Robert de Clifford in the county of Worcester, taken before the escheator of the King at Severstok' (*sic*), 20 August, 8 Edward II. [A.D. 1314], by the oaths of Roger Golafr', Nicholas de Astone, John de Sondford, Adam de Sondford, Thomas de la Mer', John de , Robert de Bolesdone, Robert de Sondford, Walter le Bak', Richard Ketul, Henry Bercar', and William Bercar': who present that the aforesaid Robert held at Severstok' one messuage with a garden, worth yearly 40*d.* He held also at Kynersleye a certain close, worth yearly 40*d.* They also present that profit of the close which is called "le Wynzard" is worth yearly 40*d.* There is also a certain pasture there, worth yearly between the feasts of the Annunciation and the Assumption of St. Mary, 20*s.* He also held there a certain windmill worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.*, and a certain vivary, worth yearly from the fishery 2*s.*; and a certain common wood, containing 60 acres, of which the underwood is worth yearly 10*s.*, price per acre 2*d.*; and 410 acres of arable land, of which 360 are worth yearly 4*li.* 10*s.*, and 50 acres are worth yearly 25*s.* He also held there 30 acres of meadow, worth yearly 60*s.*; of rents of assize of the free tenants by the year 115*s.* 7*d.*, payable at the feasts of St. Andrew, the Annunciation, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and St. Michael; and 2 pounds of pepper, and 3 pounds

of cinnamon, payable at the feast of St. Michael
There are also there 3 customary tenants whose rents and services amount yearly to 8s. 8d., payable at the terms aforesaid. The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 20s. The aforesaid Robert had the advowson of the church of Severstok', which is worth yearly half a mark, and the advowson of the vicarage, worth yearly 40d. He held no knight's fees in the county aforesaid. The same Robert held the aforesaid manor of Severstok' of the Earl of Gloucester by the service of one knight's fee. Roger, his son, is his next heir, and is of the age of 15 years.

Total 18*li.* 15*s.* 10*d.*

Writ dated 28 July, 8 Edward II. [1315].

Inq. p.m., 8 *Edw. II.*, No. 62, *mem.* 6.

XIII.

ROBERT DE CLIFFORD, TENBURY.

Inquisition of the lands and tenements late of Robert de Clifford at Teindebur' in the county of Worcester, taken there before the escheator of the King, 12 October, 8 Edward II. [A.D. 1314], by the oaths of Peter Jack, Walter Osbern, John Tyrril, . . . Simond, de Home, Robert Trove, William de Cornedale, Ralph Pistor', Stephen Ston, Richard Lovyet(?), William Brown and John le . . . : who present that the said Robert held in demesne as of fee on the day he died at Teindebur' one messuage with a garden, worth yearly 3s., and one dovecote, worth yearly 12d., one watermill, worth yearly 20s., 5 acres of pasture, worth yearly between the Annunciation and the gules of August 5s., one vivary, worth yearly 12d., 200 acres of arable land, worth yearly 66s. 8d., value per acre 4d., and 3 acres of meadow, worth yearly 6s. There are also at Teindebur' of rents of assize from the free tenants 7*li.* yearly, and 11 customary tenants, whose customs and services are arrented, with their rents at 60s. The pleas and perquisites of the Court with tolls are worth yearly 66s. 8d. They further present that he held the manor of Teindebur' of the Earl of Lancaster, of the honour of Clifford, by the service of

1½ knight's fees. Roger, his son, is his next heir, and was of the age of 15 years on the 22nd of February last past.

Total 18*li.* 9*s.* 4*d.*

Writ dated 28 July, 8 Edward II. [1315].

Inq. p.m., 8 *Edw. II.*, No. 62, *mem.* 7.

XIV.

ROBERT DE CLIFFORD,

SEVERNSTOKE, TENBURY.

Inquisition taken at Worcester, on Wednesday next before the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, 8 Edward II. [A.D. 1315], before John Abel, escheator of the King, on this side the Trent, of the true value of the knight's fees and advowsons of churches which were held by Robert de Clifford, lately deceased, of the manor of Severnestoke, by the oaths of Nicholas de Aston, Robert de Bulesdon, John Constantyn, Adam de Sandford, Walter, William de la, Peter Jakes, Robert Tro . . ., William de Cornedale, Ralph Pistor', Stephen Stone, and William Brun (?), who present that Alice de Newonton holds in Newonton within the manor of Severnestok' one carucate of land for the fourth part of one knight's fee, worth yearly in all issues 40*s.* Nicholas de Aston holds in Newonton within the aforesaid manor of Severnestoke 9*s.* of rent for the fourth part of one knight's fee, whereof the lord ought to have the ward whenever it happens, but not marriage. Also all these underwritten hold by homage: viz. Roger Golafre 3 virgates of land, worth yearly in all issues 30*s.* Walter de Beauchamp 3 virgates of land, worth yearly 30*s.* John de Sandford half a virgate of land, worth yearly in all issues half a mark. Thomas de la Marre in Cliftone within the same manor one and a half virgates of land, worth yearly 20*s.* Robert de Bulesdown one and a half virgates of land in Clifton within the same manor, worth yearly in all issues 20*s.* Margaret Peter [*Petris*] of Pyriton 1 virgate of land, worth yearly 1 mark. Walter de Newenton in Clifton within the same manor half a virgate of land, worth yearly in all issues half a mark. They present that the

aforesaid Robert de Clifford held the advowson of the church of Severn Stoke on the day he died: which church is worth yearly 20 marks; the advowson of the vicarage of the aforesaid church, worth yearly 10 marks, and the advowson of the chantry of the same, which is worth yearly 40s.

All the free tenants above-named do suit at the Court every three weeks, and give ward, relief and marriage whenever they shall happen.

Also the above-written Jurors present that of the manor of Themedbury [*Tenbury*] are held two and a half knight's fees, viz. John de Wassheburne holds in Orleton two carucates of land of the same manor by one fee in the same county, worth yearly in all issues 4*li.* rent; when scutage runs, 40s. Richard le Maunz holds 2 carucates of land in Staundon of the same manor by half a knight's fee, worth yearly 4*li.* rent, 20s. when scutage runs, and 1*d.* yearly. Philip de Grete (?) holds of the same manor one knight's fee, viz. 1 carucate of land in Bradefeld, worth yearly in all issues 40s. for half the fee; and pays 20s. when scutage runs. And the same Philip holds in Weston of the same manor one carucate of land for the other half knight's fee, worth yearly in all issues 40s., rent 20s. when scutage runs.

All the following hold by homage: viz. John de la Marre half a virgate of land, worth yearly in all issues 10s. John Tyrel 1 virgate of land, worth yearly in all issues 13*s.* 4*d.* Roger de Wynchestre half a virgate of land, worth yearly in all issues 10s. Robert de Wynchestre half a virgate of land, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* Stephen de Curewode half a virgate of land, worth yearly 10s. William de Dylwe 1 (*sic*) virgate of land, worth yearly 10s. Peter le Hore half a virgate of land, worth yearly 5*s.* Henry de Aston half a virgate of land, worth yearly 10s. Roger Simond half a virgate of land, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* Stephen de Hamme half a virgate of land, worth yearly 10s. Walter Osebern half a virgate of land, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* Ralph de Hullamtone a fourth part of 1 virgate of land, worth yearly 3*s.* 4*d.* William de Esthamme half a virgate of land, worth yearly 10s. Robert Stormy half a virgate of land, worth yearly 10s. in all issues, of whom the lord ought to have ward but not marriage.

Thomas de la Marre holds in the same manor of the aforesaid Robert 5 marks as his rent. All and singular the abovesaid owe

suit at the court every 3 weeks, and ward, relief and marriage when they shall happen as is abovesaid.

The aforesaid Robert de Clifford held there the advowson of one chantry, worth yearly 40s.

Writ dated 28 July, 8 Edward II. [1315].

Inq. p.m., 8 Edw. II., No. 62, mem. 13.

XV.

GILBERT DE CLARE, HANLEY, BUSHLEY.

[Inquisition taken of the lands which were held by] Gilbert de Clare, late Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, at Hanley and Bysshelegh, made before the Escheator of the King, 8 Edward II. [A.D. 1315], by the oaths of Thomas de Hanl . . . , . . . Wodeward, Robert de G . . . , John, John la Hulle, Gilbert Swift, Ralph Har, Gilbert ate Grove, John Phelyp, John Rowar, and Robert By the Wode, who present that [the said] Gilbert held of the King in chief in his demesne as of fee on the day he died at Hanlegh Castle, the manor of Hanlegh with the appurtenances, which same castle is not¹ Also they present that the close within the barton of Blakemor [Blackmore] and Hanley is worth yearly 2s. There is there a certain park, worth in herbage [for] the game 10s., a certain wood called Clyfboy [Cliffey?] containing 50 (?) acres, worth nothing, because it is cut down, a certain windmill, worth yearly 13s. [4d.?]; 260 acres and half a rood of arable land, worth yearly 65s. 2½d., value per acre 3d.; 36 acres and half a perch of meadow for mowing, worth [36s.] 6d., value per acre 12d.; and 42 acres of pasture, worth yearly 21s. 3d., value per acre 6d. They also present that there are there of rents of assize payable at the 4 terms of the year, viz. at the feasts of St. Andrew, the Annunciation of St. Mary, St. John, and St. Michael, by equal portions. Also they present that the customary tenants [pay] • annually for tallage at the feast of St. Michael 15s. There are also there potters who pay for taking clay at the feast of St. Michael

¹ The document is very faded so that the exact sense of the entry is not clear.

5s. (?), and for dead wood¹; customary rent 8s., which customary rent is called "Wodepany." They also present that there are there customary tenants who ought to plough 21 sellions of land and the ploughing and harrowing sellions, 1d.: total 10s. 1d.?¹; also they make 39 quarters of malt, worth 6s. 6d.; they work at brewing against Christmas 22 works, value 22d. Also they work at making hurdles also against Christmas and the works are worth 12s. 8d. (?), value of each work 1d. Also there are there 2 customary tenants who make at the feast of St. Michael and the third (?) day before the gules of August, viz. for 28 weeks by the week, 2 works, and there is allowed to the same Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, and worth 6s. 8d.; value of each work Also the aforesaid 2 customary tenants make day before Michaelmas for 9 weeks, viz. each of them weekly 2 works: total 36, worth 4s. 6d. (?), value of each work 1½d. There are also there 22 customary tenants make between Michaelmas and the 3rd day before the gules of August for 18 weeks 880 works and these works are worth 36s. 8d., value of each work ½d. Also they work from the 3rd day before the gules of August to the feast of Michaelmas these works are worth 24s. 9d., value of each work 1½d. And there are there 29 customary tenants of whom each (?) after the gules of August, viz. for 44 weeks, viz. Also all the aforesaid customary tenants do 31 Autumn carryings with carts, and the service is worth 2s. 7d., value of each carrying 1d. Also they say that there is there 1 chase Malverne, worth yearly in pannage 10s. And the tenants in the same render annually at Christmas hens worth 3s. 4d. Also the townships of Collewelle and Maham [*Mathon*] give for in the same chase 8 quarters of oats, price 13s. 4d. They also present that all the customary tenants in Autumn 384 "benryps," worth 47s. 10½d., value of each "benrype" 1½d. The pleas and perquisites of the Court with the pleas of the chase are worth 106s. 8d. (?).

¹ Illegible.

Total 42*li* 17*s.* 10½*d.*, whereof the Vicar of Hanley receives annually [20*s.*] by ancient custom, and for the repair of the house [houses?] of the Castle 100*s.* And so the clear value is 36*li*. 17*s.* 10½*d.*

Inq. p.m., 8 *Edw. II.*, No. 68, *mem.* 13.

Bysshelegh [Bushley].

They also present that the aforesaid Gilbert held at Bysshele one messuage and close, worth yearly 2*s.*, 1 wood, containing 60 acres, whereof the game There are also there 120 acres of arable land, worth yearly 30*s.*, 12 acres of pasture land, worth yearly 6*s.*; [12] acres of meadow for mowing, worth 12*s.*, one windmill, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* There are also there rents of assize [payable] annually, and Michaelmas 4*li*. 17*s.* The township of Byschele renders yearly at Michaelmas for tallage, 26*s.* 8*d.* There are also there each of whom holds one virgate of land, and ploughs between Michaelmas and Christmas every Monday 60 worth 3*d.* They also plough between the feasts of Christmas and of St. Philip and St. James every Monday, for 8 weeks, and there is allowed to them 2 weeks, viz. Total of these works 80 and worth 16*s.* 8*d.*; value of each work 2½*d.* They also plough between the feasts of St. Philip and St. James and the gules of August for 13 [weeks] Monday, except at the feast of Pentecost, which is allowed [to them]. And the total ploughings is 60, which are worth 6*s.* 8*d.*, price of each work 1½*d.* Also they present that the aforesaid 5 customary tenants plough between the feasts of St. Michael and St. John the Baptist, for 38 weeks, each of whom ought to work in the week for 3 days, except in the 3 weeks of the feasts Easter and Pentecost, and on other feast days falling on the days, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday¹. Total of the works 441, and worth 8*s.* 4½*d.*, price of each work [Each] of the aforesaid five customary tenants works between the feast of St. John the Baptist and the feast of St. Michael, for 12 weeks, every week for 3 days, excepting feast days Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. And the

¹ Owing to the document being partly illegible the exact meaning is not clear.

total works are 180, which are worth 15s., value of each work 1d. And each of them makes 3 between the gules of August and And the total works are 120, worth 10s., value of each work 1d. There are there 14 customary tenants, each of whom holds 6 acres of land and the feast of St. John by the week in works, except in the three weeks aforesaid which is allowed to them; and the total works are 980 (?), worth 15s. 10d., value of each work $\frac{1}{2}$ d. Also they shall work and the gules of August, viz. for 5 weeks, in each week 2 works; total 115 (?), worth 11s. 8d., value of each work Also each of them works from the gules of August to the feast viz. for 8 weeks, each week 3 works; total works 336, worth 28s., value of each work 1d. There are also there 9 cottagers, each of whom ought to work St. John the Baptist for 38 weeks, each week 1 work, excepting the 3 weeks aforesaid which is allowed them; total works 315, and they are worth 13s. 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d., value of each work $\frac{1}{2}$ d. Also from the feast of St. John the Baptist unto the feast of St. Michael, viz. for 14 weeks, every week 1 work; total works 126, worth 10s. 6d., value of each work Also 7 "benryps" in autumn; sum 63, and worth 5s. 3d., value of each work 1d.

The pleas and perquisites are worth by the year 20s. They also present that the aforesaid [held] in chief on the day he died the aforesaid manors of Hanley and Byschele with the appurtenances, together with all his lands and tenements in England, by the service of seven fees and a half, but the jury do not know by what services the said manors are held. They say also that [Alianor the wife of] Hugh le Despenser the younger and Margaret, formerly the wife of Peter de Gavaston, and Elizabeth, formerly the wife of the lord John de [Burgh], are [sisters of the said Gilbert de Clare, and his next heirs unless his wife has an heir]. And the said [Alianor] is of the age of 22 years and upwards, and the said Margaret is of the age of 21 years and more [and Elizabeth is of the age of 20].¹

Sum 18*li.* 15s. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Inq. p.m., 8 *Edw. II.*, No. 68, *mem.* 13.

¹ The document is very faded, but collating it with 35 Edward II., No. 17, *ante*, p. 20, the Inquisition eight years before on the death of Joan Countess Clare, the mother of this Gilbert Earl Clare, the substance appears to be as here given.

XVI.

GILBERT DE CLARE,
CHADDESLEY CORBET, SEVERNSTOKE,
ELDERSFIELD.

Inquisition of the knight's fees and advowsons of churches of the lord Gilbert de Clare, late Earl of Gloucester and Hertford, at Hanley and Byschelegh [*Bushley*] before the escheator of the King, 8 August, 8 Edward II. [A.D. 1314], according to the King's writ, by the oaths of Thomas de Hanleygh, Robert le Wodewar', Robert de Grava (?), John Simond, John Blundel, Robert ate Hulle, Swyft, Ralph Harmles, Gilbert ate Broke, John Phelyp, John le Rowere, and Robert by the Wode, who present that the Lord William Corbet held of the said Lord Gilbert, late Earl of Gloucester, the manor of Chaddeslegh Corbet by the service of one knight's fee, and the said manor is worth 40*li.* a year. They also present that the lord Robert de Clyfford held the manor of Severnestoke of the said lord Gilbert, by the service of one knight's fee, and the manor is worth 20*li.* a year: that the same manor is in the custody of the King because the aforesaid Lord Robert de Clyfford held of the King in chief by barony. Thomas de Berkelegh holds the manor of Eldresfeud [*Eldersfield*] by one knight's fee, and the manor is worth 30*li.* Also they present that no other person held of the said Lord Gilbert in the county of Worcester. The said Lord Gilbert had no advowsons of churches in the aforesaid county.

Total value of the 3 fees 90*li.*¹

Inq. p.m., 8 *Edw. II.*, No. 68, *mem.* 55.

XVII.

PETER DE SALTMARSH,
ECKINGTON.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 21 April, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], by the oaths of Wye, James de M Walter de Blake, Robert de Bullesdon, William Golaffre, Robert Hastyng', William Richard Ode, and Richard Foyer, who present that Peter de Saltmarsh

¹ No writ attached.

[*Salso Marisco*] held [nothing] in chief in his demesne [as of fee] on the day he died in the county of Worcester; but that he held in Ekynton, in the county aforesaid [7 acres of land¹], of the Earl of Warwyke in socage of two pence by the year, and worth by the year in all issues 8*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* He also held in his demesne as of fee on the day he died in Morton Folet and Chaddesleye two messuages, worth by the year 2*s.*, and [2 carucates of land there¹] worth by the year in all issues 20*s.* Also he held there 5 acres of meadow, worth by the year 10*s.*; and he held there of the free tenants annual rents payable at the 4 principal terms of the year [40*s.*] He also held (*sic*) there 10 copyhold tenants [*nativi*], of whose rents, services, and customs And they present that the aforesaid tenements in Morton and Chaddesleye, with the services pertaining to the aforesaid tenements in S in socage, and fee farm by the service of 7*li.* by the year. They also present that the aforesaid Peter held in his demesne as of fee . . . [Robert] Le Bray in Hagbersoe [*Agberrow*] one messuage, worth by the year 12*d.* And he held there of the said Robert (*sic*) 1 carucate of land 32*s.*; 2 acres of meadow, worth by the year 4*s.*; and he held there of the said Robert 5*s.* from rents of the free tenants Hegberwe, are held of the said Robert Le Bray, by knight's service, viz. by half a knight's fee, and by the service of rendering to the said Robert a pair of gloves, of the price of 10*s.* John, the son of the said Peter, is his next heir, and was of the age of two years the feast of St. John the Baptist last past.

Writ dated 10 Feb., 9 Edward II. [1316].

[*The following endorsement is made by the escheator on this inquisition:—*]

"It is found in the inquisitions lately made after the death of Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick², and returned into the Chancery of the King, of the knight's fees which were of the same Earl, that Peter de Saltmarsh held of the same Earl certain tenements in the vill of Ekyngton, by the service of the fourth part of a knight's fee, which I understand to be of the same tenure as that of the tenements abovesaid."

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 36.

¹ Taken from the calendar; the document is not now legible.

² See *post*, p. 56.

XVIII.

PAUL DE KAERDIF',

QUEENHILL, BISHAMPTON, KINGTON.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Quenhull, 5 August, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1315], of all the lands and tenements of which Paul de Kaerdif' was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, and how much land the said Paul held of the King in chief, and how much of others, and what that land was worth by the year in all issues, and who the next heir is, and of what age: by the oaths of Robert Jones, William de Kyngton, James de Mochegros, William Golafre, Edmund de Beauchamp, Richard Ginny, William de Cleve, William Schyrllok', John le Heyward, Nicholas de Lyra, Adam Date, and Simon in th' Hale, who present that the aforesaid Paul held in his demesne as of fee on the day he died the hamlet of Quenhull in the county aforesaid of the King in chief, by the service of paying one mark to the King yearly: in which said hamlet there is a certain capital messuage, worth yearly, with the profits of the garden and curtilage, 40*d.* And there are there two parts of a certain dovecote, worth yearly 12*d.*; and 60 acres of arable land, worth yearly 20*s.*; and 12 acres of meadow, worth yearly 18*s.*; and a certain windmill, worth yearly half a mark. There are also there 28*s.* of rents of assize of the free tenants, payable at the feasts of Michaelmas and the Annunciation by equal portions; and of rents of assize of two copyhold tenants [*nativi*], at the feast of St. Kenelm 7*s.*, and of one copyhold tenant [*nativus*], 9*d.*, at the two terms aforesaid. The works of the 9 copyholders are worth yearly 45*s.*; and the works of the aforesaid two copyholders are worth yearly 10*d.* The pleas and perquisites of the Court there are worth yearly 12*d.*

They also present that the aforesaid Paul, and Eleanor his wife, were joint tenants, on the day he died, of one messuage and one carucate of land at Bishampton and Kyngton, by the feoffment of William de Kaerdif', who enfeoffed them thereof in free marriage, of Philip Ap Howel, viz. by the service of the tenth part of a knight's fee, and the capital messuage is worth yearly 40*d.*, with the profits of the garden and curtilage, and the aforesaid carucate of land is worth yearly 20*s.* There are also there 6 acres

of meadow, worth yearly 9s., and a certain several pasture, worth yearly 2s.; and a certain windmill, worth yearly half a mark. There are also there rents of assize of the free tenants 4*li*. 10s., payable at the four terms, namely at the feasts of Michaelmas, St. Andrew, the Annunciation, and St. John the Baptist, by equal portions. William de Kaerdif, son and heir of the aforesaid Paul, is his next heir, and was of the age of 16 years at the feast of the Purification of St. Mary last past.

Writ dated 10 J . . . ,¹ 9 Edward II. [1315].

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 42.

XIX.

EDWARD BURNELL,

SUCKLEY, ACTON BEAUCHAMP, KIDDERMINSTER, &c.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Kydermeinstr', 28 November, [9] Edward II. [A.D. 1315], according to the King's writ, by [the oaths of] Hugh de Suthyngton, Adam Ranel, Richard John le Butiler, William de Harpecate (?), John de Kent, Robert de Bosco, Robert de Stephen de Bosco, and Richard de Stone: who present that [Edward Burnell² was seized] in his demesne as of fee on the day he died of the manor of Sukeleye in the county of Worcester a certain capital messuage, which with a garden and curtilage, herbage and easement of the houses is worth yearly 40*d*. (?). There are also there two groves, in which the underwood is worth yearly 12*d*.; and a certain spinney, worth yearly 12*d*., and three parcels of several pasture, containing 3 acres, worth yearly 3s., and 140 acres of arable land, worth yearly 23s. 4*d*., and 15 acres of meadow, worth yearly 20s. Also there are there rents of assize from the free tenants yearly 30*li*. 5s. 9*d*., payable at the two terms of the year, viz. at the feast of St. Michael and the feast of the Annunciation of St. Mary, by equal portions. There are also there 4 customary tenants, and of each and the day's work is worth 3*d*.

Total works 4. Total in money 12*d*.

¹ Date torn off.

² These words supplied from the Calendar; the document is illegible.

There is also a water[mill], worth yearly 13s. 4d. The pleas and perquisites of the Court are worth yearly 13s. 4d. They also present that the aforesaid manor is held of Thomas Wake, who is within age, and in the custody of the King, in free socage, by the service of 1d. by the year at Christmas for all services.

Clear value 34*li.* 5s.

[*Acton Beauchamp.*] The aforesaid Edward held in his demesne as of fee on the day he died 36 acres of arable land in Acton Beauchamp(?), worth yearly 12s., and held of the Earl of Warwick¹ by the service of 6s. yearly, and doing suit at the Court of Acton every three weeks.

Clear value 6s.

[*Kydermeinstr'.*] They also present that the aforesaid Edward was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died of 216 acres of arable land, worth by the year 36s., leased by the said Edward to his customary tenants there by the aforesaid rent payable at the usual terms, viz. at the feasts of St. Michael, St. Andrew, the Annunciation, and St. John the Baptist, by equal portions. Also there is there a wood called Byrch Wode(?), of which the profit is nothing because and because in this present year it was cut down by the said Edward; and one certain called worth yearly 6d. There are also rents of assize from the free tenants who hold by free socage 40s. 4*½*d. payable at the feasts of St. Michael and the Annunciation and rents of assize from the free tenants in 26s. 5d., payable at the usual [terms of the year]; and there are there 20 customary tenants holding 10 virgates of land in villenage².

They also present that the aforesaid tenements were held of the King in chief by the service of a third part of a ninth part of one knight's fee. They also present that the aforesaid 6d. viz. at the feasts of St. Michael and the Annunciation, by equal portions.

Total 15*li.* 7s. 8*½*d. (?)

¹ See *post*, Inquisition 19, p. 56.

² Several lines quite illegible.

[*Duncleut.*] They also present that the said Edward was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died of 8 of the said rents tenants in Duncleut in

Total 6s. 8d.

[*Duddeleye.*] They also present that the said Edward was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died of one messuage called Russelleshalle by the year And there are there 120 acres of arable land, worth 25s., and 8 acres of meadow, worth yearly 12s., and pasture, worth 10s.; and rents of assize from the free tenants [payable] yearly 52s. at the 4 terms of the year aforesaid. The pleas and perquisites of the Court there are worth yearly 2s. They also present that the tenements aforesaid were held of John de Somery (?)

Clear value 106s. 11d.

[*Hille.*] They also present that le Child holds one messuage and one virgate of land in Hulle for the term of his life which the said Edward annually receives at the feasts of St. Michael and the Annunciation¹.

Total 20s.

[*Hanley Child.*] They also present that Richard Shep' holds one messuage and 2 in Childrenhanley [*Hanley Child*] for the term of his life, worth yearly

Total 20s.

[*Hanleye William.*] They also present that Richard Shep' holds one messuage and carucates of land for the term of his life worth yearly , which the said Edward at the same two terms. They say also that Maud is sister and heir of the said Edward, and of the age of 21 years and more.

Writ 1 Sept., 9 Edward II.

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 67, mem. 15.

¹ Some lines illegible.

XX.

THE WORCESTERSHIRE ESTATES OF
GUY DE BEAUCHAMP, 5TH EARL OF WARWICK.

(a.) ACTON BEAUCHAMP.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 1 October, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], according to the tenour of the King's writ, by the oaths of Richard Snoddyng, Thomas atte Close, Robert de Lawarne, Simon Geffrey, John de Lawarne, Henry le Man, Adam de Kydelow, Ernald (?) Segrave, John de Clifton, John atte Halle, Walter atte Crose, and John Drugel, who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, on the day he died, held in his demesne as of fee the manor of Acton Beauchamp of the Abbot of Evesham, by the service of half a knight's fee; in which same manor there is a certain capital messuage, worth, from buildings, gardens, curtilages, and the easements of the houses, 6s. And there is there a certain dovecote, worth yearly 12d.; and there are in demesne two carucates of land, worth yearly 65s.; and 3 acres of meadow, worth yearly 4s. 6d.; and a certain watermill, worth yearly 20s. The rents of assize of the free tenants are 8*li.* 15s. 2d., payable at the two terms of the year, viz. at the feasts of Michaelmas and the Annunciation, by equal portions. And there are 5 customary tenants, whose works are valued yearly at 60s. 1½*d.* The pleas and perquisites of the court there are worth yearly 2s. Thomas, son of the aforesaid Guy, is his next heir, and was of the age of 1½ years at the feast of the Purification last past.

Total of the extent of Acton Beauchamp, 16*li.* 13s. 9½*d.*

Writ dated 16 August, 9 Edward II. [1315].

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 71, mem. 6.

(b.) PIRTON.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 24 Sept., 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], according to the tenour of the King's writ, by the oaths of John de Puppelynton, Thomas de Luttleton, John de Solcis, Adam Hurel, Henry Roudulf, Richard

Osebern, Richard Aleyn, Henry Filot, Robert le Brewar', William le Carpenter, John Tudleg, and Walter le Chyld, who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, held on the day he died the manor of Piryton, in the county aforesaid, in his demesne as of fee, of the Abbot de Westminster, by half a knight's fee; in which same manor there is a certain capital messuage, worth yearly, with curtilage, garden, herbage, and the easements of the houses, 6s. 8d. And there is there a certain vineyard [*? vivary*], worth yearly 6s. 8d.; and a certain windmill, worth yearly 6s. There are also there 322 acres of arable lands in demesne, worth yearly per acre 4d. Total 107s. 4d. Also 8 acres of meadow, of which each acre is worth yearly 2s.; and a certain pasture in Bukenhull, worth yearly 2s.; and two acres of several pasture in Shurnehulle and Stockynge, worth yearly 16d. There are there rents of assize from the free tenants payable at Michaelmas and the Annunciation by equal portions, 49s. 1½d. The pleas and perquisites of the court there are worth yearly 6s. 8d.

[Finding as to the heir as on p. 56.]

Total of the extent in money 10*li.* 0*s.* 21½*d.*

[Writ as on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 7.

(c.) CASTLE OF WORCESTER.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 7 Oct., 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], by the oaths of Adam Ranel, William de Lench, William Fitz-Warun, John de Codeleye, Adam de Molendino, John de Puppelynton, Robert Aleyn, Hugh Algar, John Blanket, Robert de la Wode, Thomas Rokolf, and Thomas de Lench, who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, was seized in his demesne as of fee on the day he died of the castle of Worcester with its appurtenances, and of the office of sheriff of Worcestershire; and of the hundreds of Dodyntre and "Demy Counte" [*Halfshire*] in the county of Worcester; and he held the same castle, office of sheriff, and hundreds, with their appurtenances, together with divers lands and tenements in England, of the King in chief by the service of the whole county. And they say that the site of the castle aforesaid is of no yearly value, because it is wholly in ruin [*dirutum*]. The custody of the prison in the same castle

is worth yearly 20s. The herbage in the castle ditches [*fossates*] is worth yearly 10*d*. The pleas and perquisites of the county of Worcester, with the farm of the bailiwicks and other perquisites of the shrievalty, are worth yearly 10*li*. The amercements at the sheriff's tourn in the divers hundreds are worth yearly 60s. The amercements at the sheriff's tourn for breaking the assize of ale, and for chevage in certain townships outside the liberties in the hundred of Dodyntre after the feast of St. Michael, are worth yearly 100s. And the same amercements from the same sources at the sheriff's tourn after Easter 13*s*. 4*d*. The rent of the township of Sukeleye to the sheriff's tourn after the feast of Michaelmas, 20s. The rent of the township of Marteleye to the same hundred 13*s*. 4*d*. Chevage to the Hundred which is called "Demy Counte" [*Halfshire*], after Michaelmas 100s. The rent, which is called "warthpeni," at Michaelmas 4*s*. The pleas and perquisites of the aforesaid hundred, called Dodyntre, are worth yearly 18*s*., and the pleas and perquisites of the aforesaid Hundred, called "Demy Counte," are worth yearly 40s.

[Finding as to the heir as on p. 56.]

Total 29*li*. 9*s*. 8*d*.

[Writ as on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, mem. 8.

(*d*.) SALWARP.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Salewarp, 2 Oct., 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], according to the tenour of the King's writ, by the oaths of John de Ocleye, John Grene, Richard Atten Orchard, Thomas Fabrum, John le Bores, Richard Reed, Richard Cachenach, Adam Rudepot, John de Br...hull, William, Robert Agace, and John atte Hall, who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warrewyk', held on the day he died the manor of Salewarp in the county of Worcester in his demesne as of fee of the King in chief by barony; in which same manor there is a certain capital messuage, worth yearly, with the garden, curtilage and easements of the houses, 4*s*. And there is there a certain vineyard [*? vivary*], worth yearly 5*s*., and one and a half carucates of land containing 100 acres, worth by the acre 3*d*., half a carucate of land, containing 50 acres of land, worth by

the acre 4*d.*, total 16*s.* 8*d.* There is also a mowing meadow of 20 acres, worth by the acre 2*s.*, total 40*s.*; and one park with the game, of which the pasture is worth in summer for sustaining 10 12*d.* a head, and in winter for sustaining 16 foals 4*s.*, at 3*d.* a head. Also the yearly pannage there is worth 5*s.*, and the underwood There is a certain watermill, worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.*, and a certain fishery in the park, worth yearly 6*d.* There are rents of assize from the free tenants 7*li.* 2*s.* 3½*d.*, payable at Michaelmas, St. Andrew, the Annunciation, and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. There are rents of the free tenants of the fee of Brayly(?) 37*s.* 0½*d.*, payable at the 4 terms aforesaid. There are 12 tenants who hold 6 virgates of land and pay yearly as a fixed rent 106*s.* 11*d.* at the 4 terms aforesaid. There are rents of assize at Husyntre [*Martin Husingtree*] pertaining to the said manor 2*s.* 10½*d.* There are also 28 customary tenants who hold 14 virgates of land in villenage, each of whom pays yearly a fixed rent for all works 6*s.* 8*d.* at the said terms. Total 10*li.* 14*s.* 8*d.*; and there is tallage from the same customary tenants, payable at Michaelmas, 53*s.* 4*d.* The cottagers' [*coterellorum*] rents are 34*s.* 3*d.*, payable at the aforesaid terms. The pleas and perquisites of the Court are worth yearly 20*s.* The toll of the road at Coppeeote is worth yearly 3*s.* . . . The salt-pit at Wych' [*Droitwich*] with salt-house [*bullaria*] of 8 pans [*plumbum*] is worth yearly 46*s.* 8*d.* Thomas, son of Guy, is his next heir¹.

Sum total in money 39*li.* 4*s.* 9½*d.*

[Writ as on page 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 9.

(e.) SHERIFF'S LENCH.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Evesham, 6 October, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], by the oaths of Nicholas le Fremon, Richard de Lench, John Payn, Adam Payn, Walter atte Wode, Robert Bate, Roger Clerk, John Clerk, John Bagard, Walter Wycher, and William Travers, who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, on the day he died held the manor of Schryveneslench in the county aforesaid in his demesne as of fee

¹ See *ante*, p. 56.

of the Abbot of Evesham by the service of half a knight's fee, in which same manor there is a capital messuage, which, with a garden, curtilage, herbage, and easements of the houses, is worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* There are also 80 acres of arable land in demesne, the better land worth yearly 40*s.*, per acre 6*d.*; and worse land, 26 acres of arable in demesne, worth 8*s.* 8*d.*, per acre 4*d.*; and 5½ acres of meadow, worth yearly 11*s.*, per acre 2*s.*; a common pasture, worth yearly 5*s.*; a certain grove, worth yearly 10*s.* They present that the Earl of Warwick had annually in the wood of the prior of Kenylworthe brushwood for fuel, worth yearly 2*s.* There are 11 virgates of land held in villenage; each virgate pays yearly 10*s.*; total 110*s.*; renders by the year two hens at Christmas, worth 22*d.*, each hen 1*d.*; each virgate of land renders to the lord 2 works in autumn, worth yearly 2*s.* 9*d.*, each work 1½*d.*; each virgate of land renders yearly on the feast of St. John the Baptist one penny for making hay: total works 11, value in money 11*d.* There is also one free tenant who pays yearly 4*s.* at the feasts of St. Andrew, the Annunciation, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and St. Michael, by equal portions, and 4 cottagers [*cotar'*] who pay yearly 8*s.* at the terms aforesaid. And there is a forge which pays yearly 6*d.*, and two cottagers [*cotag'*] who pay yearly at the aforesaid terms 22*d.*; and another cottager who pays yearly at the said terms 8*d.* All the customary tenants aforesaid pay yearly at the feast of St. Martin for "Hevedpeni" 2*s.* 6*d.* Tallage and toll at the same feast are worth 12*d.* The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth 3*s.*

[Finding as to the heir as on p. 56.]

Total in money 11*li.* 0*s.* 4*d.*

[Writ as on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 10.

(*f.*) ABBERLEY.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Albedeleye on Wednesday next after the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], according to the tenour of the King's writ, by the oaths of Adam le Parkere, John atte . . . ewe, William Goderych, Adam atte More, William de Bayton, Richard de Dicheslond (?), William de Cromdale, Richard, Robert

de Cromdale, John de Walesgrave, William de Northgrave, and William de, who present that Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick died, seized of the manor of Albedeleye with its members and appurtenances, which same manor is of the inheritance of Alice his wife. They also present that there is there a capital messuage with buildings, gardens and curtilages, worth yearly 2*s.*; 200 acres of arable land, worth yearly 40*s.*, price per acre 2*d.*, and 6 acres of meadow, worth by the year 6*s.*, per acre 12*d.*; 80 tenants, who pay yearly rents of assize 16*li.* 6*s.*, payable at 3 terms, viz. at Michaelmas, the Purification, and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, by equal portions. Of the aforesaid tenants 60 are bondmen, each of whom hoes for half a day, worth to the lord $\frac{1}{4}$ *d.*, reaps for 4 days in the autumn; each day's work is worth 1*d.*; total value of the works 21*s.* 3*d.* The pasture in the park is worth yearly 20*s.* The profit of the underwood is worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* The pleas and perquisites are worth yearly 40*s.* They also present that the said manor is held of the Castle of Colwent, which is of the inheritance of Alice, wife of the said Earl (and is now in the King's hands, by the death of the said Earl), in grand serjeantry, viz. by the service of finding one armed foot-soldier to serve in keeping the said Castle in the time of war in Wales for 20 days. Thomas, son of the aforesaid Guy, is his next heir, and was of the age of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ years at the feast of St. Valentine last past.

Sum 18*li.* 0*s.* 23*d.*

[Writ as on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 71, mem. 11.

(g.) ELMLEY CASTLE.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 6 October, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], by the oaths of Thomas Conan, John Peremon, John de Codely, Adam Hurel, Richard de Coules-tor' (?), Richard de Throkemerthon, William de Cokeseye, William de Chalvesdon, William Moraunt, John de Byrlyngham, Edmund Fitz-Warrin, and John Balle: who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warrewyke, on the day he died, held in demesne as of fee the manor of Ammeleye in the county aforesaid of the Bishop of Worcester by the service of three parts of one knight's fee; in which manor there is a castle which is much out of repair

and therefore is not valued. There is a barton which with the easements of the houses, the fruit of the gardens and the herbage are worth yearly 20s.; the garden in the Castle is worth yearly 2s.; a dovecote, worth yearly 40d.; two vineyards [or *vivaries*], the profits of which are worth yearly 4s.; a certain fishery, "*inter ripam de Naffebroke et ripam de Burne*," worth yearly 7s.; an unenclosed wood, the pasture of which with the lawns [*laundis*] is worth yearly 16s. 4d.; the underwood is worth yearly 13s. 4d.; the pannage is worth yearly 6s. 8d.; a grove called Lee, and 2 out woods, common to the country, the underwood is worth yearly 6s. 8d. The arable land in demesne is 100 acres, each acre of which is worth yearly 6d.; 100 acres, each acre of which is worth yearly 4d., and 105 acres, each acre of which is worth yearly 3d. Total acreage 305; total in money 109s. 7d. There are 48 acres of meadow for mowing, each acre of which is worth yearly 2s. 6d., and 12 acres, each of which is worth yearly 18d. Total acreage 60; total in money 6*li.* 18s. There are 2 mills, one a watermill and one a windmill, worth yearly 20s. There are rents of assize from the free tenants 11*li.* 16s. 10½d., whereof 24s. 8½d. [are paid] at the feast of St. Andrew; 4*li.* 13s. 2d. at the Annunciation of St. Mary; 24s. 1½d. at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist; 4*li.* 15s. 10½d. at Michaelmas. There are 18 customary tenants, each of whom holds half a virgate of land in villenage, 21 customary tenants, cottagers, whose services are valued yearly at 13*li.* 16s. 10d., payable by equal portions at the 4 terms of the year aforesaid. Tallage and tolls at the feast of St. Martin are worth 15d. Rents at Christmas, namely 42 hens, worth 3s. 6d. Bread rents at Christmas 18d. Fish (?)¹ at the Annunciation 18d. Tallage of the customary tenants at Michaelmas 59s. 9d. The pleas and perquisites of the court there are worth yearly 28s. There is a free court held at Worcester which is called the Knight's Court, with its pleas and perquisites, which are worth yearly 20s. Thomas, son of the aforesaid Guy, is his next heir, and was of the age of 1½ years at the feast of the Purification of St. Mary last past.

Total 48*li.* 16s. 1¾d.

[Writ as on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 12.

¹ "Fisse."

(h.) COMBERTON.

Combreton. Inquisition taken before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 23 September, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], according to the tenour of the King's writ, by the oaths of John de Puppelynton, Thomas de Luttleton, John de Solere, Adam Hurel, Henry Roudulf, Richard Osebern, Richard Aleyn, Henry Filot, Robert le Brewar, Gilbert le Carpenter, John Tuddlyna, and Walter le Chyld : who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warrewyke, held on the day he died the manor of Combreton, in the county of Worcester, of the abbot of Westminster in his demesne as of fee, at half a knight's fee. In which manor there is a capital messuage, worth, with the garden and easements of houses, yearly 6s. 8d. There are also 220 acres of arable lands, of which each acre is worth yearly 5d.; total 4*li.* 11s. 8d.; 16 acres of meadow, of which each acre is worth yearly 18d.; total 24s.; a several pasture which by parcels is worth yearly 6s. 8d.; a certain wood, in which the underwood is worth yearly 3s.; a watermill, worth yearly 13s. 4d.; rents of assize from the free tenants 9*li.* 13s. 9½d., payable at the feasts of St. Andrew, the Annunciation, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and St. Michael. There are 8 customary tenants holding 4 virgates of land in villenage; the holder of each whole virgate ploughs at the winter sowing three fardels; this ploughing is worth 3d.; total acres 3, in money 12d. The holder of each virgate of land also sows half an acre with one bushel of his own corn; value of the corn 6d., total sowing 4 bushels, money value 2s.; harrows the said land; each harrowing is worth ½d.; total 2d.; works between the feasts of St. Michael and St. John the Baptist for 35 weeks for 3 days every week; each work is worth ½d.; total works 470 (?), money value 17s. 6d.; from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August each works for 5 weeks and two days for 3 days each week; the aforesaid work is worth 1d. each; total works 64, money value 5s. 4d.; from the gules of August to the feast of the Nativity of St. Mary each works for 5 weeks 3 days for 5 days each week; the money value of each work is 1½d.; total of the works 112, money value 14s. And from the Nativity of St. Mary unto Michaelmas for 3 weeks he works for 5 days each week; works 60, total money value 5s.; he also makes 6 "benrypes" in autumn, value of each 1½d.; total of the

works 24, money value 3*s*. There are also 2 cottagers, each of whom works every Monday between the feasts of Michaelmas and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, value of each work $\frac{1}{2}$ *d*.; total works 70, money value 2*s*. 11*d*.; from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August for 5 weeks, for 1 day each week, value of each work 1*d*.; total works 10, money value 10*d*.; from the gules of August to the Nativity of St. Mary for 6 weeks, for 1 day each week, value of each work $1\frac{1}{2}$ *d*.; total works 12, money value 18*d*.; from the Nativity of St. Mary to Michaelmas for 3 weeks, for 1 day each week, value of each work 1*d*.; total works 6, money value 6*d*. Each of them gives 3 boondays [or benewerks] in autumn, value of each day $1\frac{1}{2}$ *d*.; total works 6, money value 9*d*.; each pays for tallage and toll at the feast of St. Martin 8*d*.; each of the aforesaid 4 virgate [holders] pay 4*d*. for "malt silver" at the feasts of St. Andrew and the Annunciation by equal portions, or make 2 quarters of barley with malt at their own cost; value 16*d*.; each gives at the Annunciation of St. Mary 1*d*., total 4*d*.; each gives 4 hens at Christmas, value of each 1*d*. (?), total They pay half a mark tallage at Michaelmas. The pleas and perquisites with the fruit of the lands(?) are worth yearly 6*s*. 8*d*. The pleas and perquisites and view of Longueport are worth yearly 6*s*. 8*d*.

Total 20*li*. 17*s*. 3*½d*.

(i.) NAUNTON [BEAUCHAMP].

Newenton. They also present that the aforesaid Guy, the Earl, held on the day he died in his demesne as of fee the manor of Newenton in the county aforesaid of the abbot of Westminster at half a knight's fee. In which manor there is a capital messuage, worth, with the garden and curtilage, easements of the houses, yearly 5*s*. There are 210 acres of arable lands, each acre of which is worth yearly 6*d*., total 105*s*.; 9 acres 1 rood of meadow, each acre of which is worth yearly 2*s*., total 18*s*. 6*d*. There is a wood, in which the underwood is worth yearly 2*s*.; a watermill, worth yearly 10*s*.; 44*s*. 2*d*. rents of assize from the free tenants, payable at the 4 terms abovesaid; 22 customary tenants who hold 12 virgates and a half of land in villenage, and plough between them 6 acres of land yearly; the ploughing of each acre

is worth 6*d.*, total 3*s.* [The holder of] each virgate works from Michaelmas to the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for 38 weeks, for 3 days each week, worth of the day's work $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; total works 1,425, money value 59*s.* 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August 5 weeks and 3 days, for 3 days each week, worth of the day's work 1*d.*; total works 112, money value 17*s.* (*sic*); from the gules of August to the Beheading of St. John 4 weeks for 3 days each week, worth of the day's work 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; total works 150, money value 18*s.* 9*d.*; from the feast of the Beheading of St. John to Michaelmas 4 weeks and 3 days, for 3 days each week, worth of the day's work 1*d.*; total works 162 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*, money value 13*s.* 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* Every [holder of a] virgate of land gives 6 boondays [or *benewerks*] in autumn with one man, value of each 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; total works 75, money value 9*s.* 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* [The holder of] each virgate of land "de fisse" at the Annunciation 1*d.*; total 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* All the customary tenants of the said manor of Newenton pay tallage at Michaelmas 33*s.* 4*d.*, of "tak" and toll, yearly value 18*d.*; give at Christmas two hens, value per hen 1*d.*; total 2*s.* 1*d.* The pleas and perquisites are worth yearly 10*s.* Also the pleas and perquisites of the view of Northpydele are worth yearly 7*s.* 8*d.* Total of Newynton 18*li.* 0*s.* 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 13.

(*j.*) WADBOROUGH¹.

Inquisition taken before the escheator of the King, 3 October, 9 Edward [II.], by the oaths of Walter le Bruyly, John le Bruyly, Robert atte He[th], John de Blakethuyrne, William Twety, William le Charpenter, Geoffrey Moraunt, Thomas Cabbel, Thomas Molend', Richard de Blakethurne, John and John atten Ok', who present that Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warrewyk', on the day he died held the manor of Wadberewe, in the county of Worcester, in his demesne as of fee from the abbot of Perschore, by the service of annually rendering one buck to the same abbot at the feast of the Nativity of St. Mary. In which manor there is a capital messuage, worth yearly, with the garden, curtilage, herbage, and easements of the houses, 8*s.* There is a certain park with game

¹ See *post*, pp. 92 and 121.

the pasture of which is worth yearly 35*s.*, the pannage 15*s.*, and the underwood 14*s.* There is a certain foreign wood called Blakethuyrne, wherein the underwood is worth yearly 2*s.* 6*d.*

Total of Wadberewe 74*s.* 6*d.*

(*k.*) STOULTON.

The aforesaid Jurors also present that the same Earl on the day he died held the manor of Scolton [*Stoulton*], in the county aforesaid, in his demesne as of fee from the bishop of Worcester in free socage; in which manor there is a barton with a grange, worth yearly 2*s.* 8*d.*; one dovecote, worth yearly 4*s.*, and a certain vivary [*? vineyard*], worth yearly 8*s.*¹; 125½ acres of arable land in demesne, each acre worth yearly 4*d.*; total 41*s.* 10*d.*; 130 acres 1 rood of land, each acre worth yearly 5*d.*; total 55*s.* 1¼*d.*; 16 acres of meadow, each acre worth yearly 2*s.*; total 32*s.*; four small lots of several pasture, worth yearly 4*s.* 8*d.*; 2 ruined [*debilia*] mills, one watermill and one windmill, worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.*; rents of assize from the free tenants 8*li.* 18*s.* 3*d.*, payable by equal portions at the feasts of . . . , the Annunciation, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and St. Michael; 21 customary tenants who hold between them 10 virgates and a half of land in villenage, and pay no rent; but the [holders of the] 10 whole virgates of land plough between Michaelmas and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for 35 weeks, to wit . . . acre of land, and each day's ploughing is worth 2½*d.*; total acres 183½ and 1 rood; money value 76*s.* 1¾*d.* Each harrows for day . . . sowing; the harrowing is worth ½*d.*; total works 42, money value 21*d.*; they work from Michaelmas to the Nativity of St. John the Baptist . . . weeks, except at Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, for 35 weeks, for 5 days each week, worth of the day's work ½*d.*; total works 1,837½, money value 76*s.* 6¾*d.*; they work from the said feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August 5 weeks and 2 days, for 6 days each week, worth of the day's work 1*d.*; total works 325½, money value 27*s.* 1¼*d.*; they work from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary 5 weeks and 4 days, for 6 days each week, worth of the day's work 1¼*d.*; total works 357, money value 44½*d.* (?); they work from the Nativity

¹ See *Post*, p. 92.

of the Blessed Mary to Michaelmas 3 weeks, for 6 days each week, worth of the day's work $1d.$; total works 189, money value [$15s. 9d.$]; each gives in autumn 32 "bedrypes," value of each $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 336, money value $42s.$ There are also 6 greater cottagers; each holds a fourth part of one virgate of land, and works between Michaelmas and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 35 weeks, for 2 days each week, worth of the day's work $\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 420, money value $17s. 6d.$; each of the said 6 cottagers works for 3 weeks, except at Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, for 1 day each week, worth of work $\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 18, money value $9d.$; each of the said 6 cottagers works from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August 5 weeks and 2 days, for 2 days each week, worth of each work $1d.$; total works 66, money value $5s. 6d.$; from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary 5 weeks and 3 days, for 3 days each week, worth of the day's work $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 108, money value $13s. 6d.$; each of the said 6 cottagers works from the Nativity of the Blessed Mary to Michaelmas 3 weeks, for 3 days each week, worth of the day's work $1d.$; total works [54], money value $4s. 6d.$; each of the said 6 cottagers harrows twice a year, value of each harrowing $\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 12, money value $6d.$ There are 5 (?) lesser cottagers; each holds 1 cottage and the eighth part of one virgate of land, and works between Michaelmas and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 35 weeks, for 1 day each week, value of the day's work $\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 175, money value $7s. 3\frac{1}{2}d.$; each works from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August 5 weeks and 2 days, for 1 day each week, worth of the day's work $1d.$; total works 25, money value $2s. 1d.$; from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary 5 weeks and 4 days, for 2 days each week, worth of the day's work $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works 60, money value $7s. 6d.$; from the Nativity of the Blessed Mary to Michaelmas 3 weeks, for 2 days each week, worth of the day's work $1d.$; total works 30, money value $2s. 6d.$; each of them harrows once in the year, value of the harrowing $\frac{1}{2}d.$; total works [5], money value $2\frac{1}{2}d.$ The fourth part of one virgate of land there gives 8 autumn boondays [or *benewerks*], worth yearly $12d.$; there is one cottager (?), who gives 3 autumn boondays, yearly value $4\frac{1}{2}d.$ The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 20s. Thomas, son of Guy, is the next heir, and

was of the age of $1\frac{1}{2}$ years at the feast of the Purification last past.

Total of the extent of manor of Scolton [*Stoulton*] 35*li.* 7*s.* 5*½d.*

[Writ as on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 14.

(4.) SUBTENANTS.

Inquisition taken before the escheator of the King on this side the Trent¹ at Worcester, 20 January, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], of the fees and advowsons of Churches of which Guy de Beauchamp was seised, and of the value of the same, according to the King's mandate, by the oaths of Edmund de Grafton, William FitzWarin, Simon le Brun, Alexander de Besseford, John de Godeleye, Thomas de Lench, Robert de Leyc', Adam de Molendino, Thomas Roculf, Adam le Sevene, John de Pupplinton, and William de Lench, who present that John de Beauchamp held of the said Earl [in] Holt 1 knight's fee, worth yearly in all issues 30*li.*² Also William Fitz-Henry de Penedok' held of the same Earl 1 fee in Westmanecote, worth yearly 20*li.*, and half a fee in Penedok', worth 10*li.* They also present that Osbert de Abbtost(?) held of the same 1 fee in Croumbe [*Croome*], Ingteberge [*Inkberrow*], and Cochul [*Cookhill*], worth yearly 15*li.* John de Kekyn Wych(?) held of the same 2 fees in Keken Wich [*Kenswick*], and Essburi [*Eastbury*], worth yearly 20*li.* Alexander de Besseford held of the same 1 fee in Besseford, worth yearly 10*li.* Edmund de Grafton held 1 fee in Grafton juxta Brimmesgrove [*Grafton Manor*], worth yearly 20*li.*; he also held a fourth part of 1 fee(?) in Hulle [*Hill*], worth yearly 10*os.* The heirs of Walter de Beauchamp held 1 fee of the same in Poywik and Branesford, worth yearly 30*li.* Grymbald Pauncefot held of the same 1 fee in Benecl', worth yearly 20*li.* Simon le Brun held of the same half a fee in Abelench, worth yearly 15*li.* Richard de Grymenhul held of the same the fourth part of one fee in Grymenhull, worth yearly 10*os.* The heirs of William de Sudyncton, namely, "Marisia," "Eustacia," and Joan, held of the same 1 fee in Doverdale, worth yearly 15*li.* Robert le Braci held of the same 3 fees in Wermynndon Maderesfeld [and] Leye, worth yearly 30*li.* The Preceptor of St. Wlstan held of the same 1 fee, worth yearly 10*os.* Thomas

¹ John Walewayn, see *post*, p. 103.

² See *post*, p. 104.

de Lench held of the same half a fee in Lench, worth yearly 100s. Geoffrey de Abitoft held of the same 2 fees in Rudmarleye, worth yearly 20*li*. Thomas de Hanle held of the same half a fee in Lolleseye [*Lulsley*] and Sockel [*Suckley*], worth yearly 10*li*. Margaret le Mortimer held of the same 1 fee in Schraul [*Shrawley*], worth yearly 20*li*. Thomas de Codeleye held of the same the 4th part of 1 knight's fee in Codeleye, worth yearly 40s. Alexander de Abitoft held of the same 1 fee in Hendelupe [*Hindlip*], worth yearly 10*li*. Walter de Bruly held of the same half a fee in Upper Wolfrynton, worth yearly 40s. John de Abitoft' held of the same 1 fee in Dorne, worth yearly 100s. John de Rydmarleye held of the same half a fee in Rudmerleye, worth yearly 40s. William de Burmingham held of the same half a fee in Stocton, worth yearly 100s. Walter Fitz-Walter of Cokeseye held of the same 1 fee in Wyttel [*Witley*], worth yearly 10*li*. Robert de Leyc' held of the same half a fee in Cofton Haket', worth yearly 100s. Peter de Santmarreys held of the same the 4th part of a fee in Ekynton and Santmarreys, worth yearly 40s. William Fitz-Warin held of the same 2 fees and a half in Upton Warin, with its members, worth yearly 30*li*. The Prior of Little Malvern held of the same half a fee in Chaddesleye, worth yearly 100s. Sybil, daughter of John de Cofton Richard, held of the same half a fee in Cofton Richard, worth yearly 8*li*. John Lovet held of the same 1 fee in Hampton, with its members, worth yearly 10*li*. Peter le Blound held of the same 1 fee in the said Hampton and Wemyngford¹, worth yearly 20*li*. Maud de Beauchamp held of the same with John Lovet the sixth part of one knight's fee in Brocton Beauchamp, worth yearly 30s. Henry, the son of Henry Stormy, held of the same 1 fee in Ruschok, worth yearly 20*li*. John de Bissoppesdon held the fourth part of a fee in Wodecote, worth yearly 60s. Thomas Fitz-John held of the same half a fee in Newenton, worth yearly 100s. Walter Fitz-Walter held of the same 1 fee in Cokeseye, worth yearly 20*li*. Thomas, son of William Rocolf, held of the same half a fee in Lench Rocolf, worth yearly 10*li*. Alexander de Abitoft held of the same the twentieth part of one fee in Schyrevehaye, worth yearly 20s. Henry de Segrave held of the same 1 fee in Northpidele, worth yearly 20*li*. John de Sudleye held of the same 1 fee in Forfeld,

¹ "Kemyngford," *post*, p. 105.

worth yearly 10*li*. John Lovet and John Haket held of the same 1 fee in Flavel, worth yearly 10*li*. Robert, son of Edmund de Sudleye, held of the same half a fee in Longedon, worth yearly 10*li*. The Prior of Great Malverne formerly held of the same half a fee in Knyhtwyks [*Knightwick*], now in the hands of the Bishop of Worcester and his successors. Roger de Mortimer held of the same half a fee in Little Cuyre [*Kyre Parva*], worth yearly 10*li*.

(*m.*) ADVOWSONS¹.

They also present that the chapel of the chantry of Elmeleye is worth yearly 10*li*. The advowson of the church of Newenton was of his gift, and worth yearly 10*li*. The church of Acton Beuchamp is worth yearly 5 marks. The church of Lenche Roculfe is worth yearly 10 marks. The church of Great Comberton is worth yearly 60*s*. The church of Salewarp is worth yearly 20*li*. The church of St. Peter, Worcester, is worth yearly 20*s*. The church of Hyndelype is worth yearly 6 marks. The church of Pyriton [*Pirton*], is worth yearly 10 marks.

Total fees 37, with the fourth part of one fee, the sixth part and the twentieth part [of other fees], and they are worth 150*li*. 10*s*. Total advowsons 9, and they are worth as above.

[Writ as on page 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 54.

(*n.*) SHERIFF'S LENCH.

² Extent of the manor of Sheriff's Lench taken on Saturday next after the feast of St. Michael, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], before Adam de Lymbergh and William Merr[e], assigned to extend all the lands and tenements which were of Edward de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, deceased, by twelve Jurors, viz. by the oaths of John de Pershore, John Bagard, Walter Wicher, Richard le Palmar, Nicholas le Fremon, Adam Fabri, John de Pechworthe, Walter Lanwar', Richard de Mertone, William Gale, Thomas Bate, and Nicholas de Alston, who present that the capital messuage with the herbage of the garden is worth yearly 6*s*. 8*d*. There are also in demesne 80 acres of better land, worth yearly 40*s*., per acre 6*d*., 26 acres of inferior land, worth yearly 8*s*. 8*d*., per acre

¹ See *post*, p. 103.

² The opening words are "extentu man'ii de Lench vic' facta."

4*d.*; 15½ acres of meadow, worth yearly 11*s.*, per acre 2*s.*, and a common of pasture, worth yearly 5*s.*; a certain grove, worth yearly 10*s.* in underwood, which may be sold yearly. The Earl of Warwick takes yearly in the wood of the Prior of Kenelworthe, brushwood fuel, worth yearly 2*s.* There are 11 virgates of land held in villenage, each virgate pays yearly 10*s.*; total 110*s.*; and each virgate of land gives yearly at Christmas two hens, each worth 1*d.*; total 22*d.*; renders 2 works in autumn, and two single works valued by themselves at 3*d.*; total 11*s.* 9*d.*; each virgate of land pays yearly on the feast of St. John the Baptist for making the lord's hay 1*d.*; total 11*d.* Nicholas le Fremen holds one virgate of land, does yearly two suits at the lord's court, and pays 4*s.* There are 4 cottagers who pay yearly altogether 8*s.*, a certain forge in the vill, worth yearly 6*d.* Thomas Morice pays yearly for a certain curtilage 6*d.*, and Robert ate Welle pays for a curtilage 8*d.* The customary tenants pay every year on St. Martin's day 2*s.* 6*d.* for "Hevedpeni." There is also 12*d.* for tax and for toll, the pleas and perquisites yearly 2*s.* Walter Gilbert pays yearly 14*d.* for a curtilage. The church of Chirchelench pertains to the gift of the lord, and is valued at 15 marks a year.

Total 10*li.* 19*s.* 2*d.*

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, mem. 72.

(a.) OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF.

Extent of the profits of the office of Sheriff of Worcestershire, taken at Worcester before Adam de Lymbergh and William Merre on Wednesday next before the feast of St. Michael, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], by the oaths of William Fitz-Warun of Upton, William, de Froxmere, William de Hackebash (?), Robert Aleyn, Adam Ranel, Hugh de Mortimer, Hugh Algar, Richard de Hopton, John Brudli', Robert de la Heth, William Golafr' and John le White, who present that all amercements and profits of the County of Worcester are worth yearly 26*s.* They also present that all the amercements of the Hundred of Dodyntre are worth yearly 18*s.*; that the amercements of the two tourns of the sheriff in the said hundred are worth yearly from every source [*undique*] 1 mark. They also present that the sheriff receives yearly after Michaelmas at his tourn in the said Hundred from all the townships

being without the liberty a fixed sum of 100s. for assize of all broken chevage. And they present that the sheriff receives from the same at his tourn after Easter a fixed yearly sum of 40s. And the sheriff receives yearly at his tourn after Michaelmas from the township of Suckeleye, which is of ancient demesne of the King, 20s., but without right, because the lord (*sic*), William de Beauchamp, baron (*sic*), and grandfather of the lord Guy, late Earl of Warwick, received the said money in his time for fair pleading. And they present that the sheriff receives yearly from the township of Marteleye 1 mark, and that without right for the same reason. They also present that the sheriff receives no profits of the Hundreds of Pershore or Oswoldeslowe, nor of Blakenhurst, except amercements shall happen on [the] commonalty, which are worth by estimation 6s., which contain the amercements on the county as above appears. They say also that the total amercements of the two tourns of the sheriff for the whole hundred of the half county [*Halfshire*] are worth yearly 2 marks, and that the amercements of the hundred aforesaid of the half county are worth yearly 40s. And that the sheriff receives yearly at his tourn in the said county after Michaelmas a fixed sum of 100s., for chevage "*de guldable*," and at the feast of St. Martin yearly 4s. for "warepeny." Also they present that the said sheriff may take yearly for his "suit of prison" [*sueta prisone*] 20s.

Total profits of the county by this exent 21*li.* 7*s.* 4*d.*

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 73.

(*p.*) CITY OF WORCESTER.

Extent taken before Adam de Lymbergh and William Merr[e] assigned to extend all the lands and tenements which were of Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, within the county of Worcester, on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Matthew the Apostle, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], that is to say by the oaths of Peter Colle, Thomas de Dene, Jordan Aurifabr', Walter de Poywyk, Roger le Copersmith, Philip de Colyngton, Henry Pertrych, John de Dwnl . . ., William le Chaundeler, John de Upton, John de Wenlond the elder, John de Wenlond the younger, who present that the said Earl held in demesne 6 acres of arable land pertaining to the castle of Worcester, of which each acre is worth yearly 2*d.* (*sic*); three acres of meadow pertaining to the said castle, of which

each acre is worth yearly 5s.; three acres of several pasture pertaining to the said castle, worth yearly 13s.; total of the arable meadow and pasture land 40s. They also present that Walter le Gros held by charter of the aforesaid Earl one messuage within the county of Worcester, paying yearly 3s. 6d. at Christmas and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and suit at the court of the Earl aforesaid every three weeks by summons on the day before. Alice de Aston [holds] by charter and pays yearly at the aforesaid terms 2s. John le Webbe holds one messuage and pays yearly at the aforesaid terms 2s. Pagan Aurifabr' holds one shop and pays at the aforesaid terms 20d. Adam de Beveray holds one shop and pays at the aforesaid terms 20d. Agnes, daughter of Henry de Upton, holds one messuage and pays at the aforesaid terms 2s. Jordan Aurifabr' [holds] one shop and pays at the aforesaid terms 2s. 4d. William la Webbe holds 1 messuage and pays at the aforesaid terms 20d. Crestiana de Wormyngton holds one messuage and pays yearly at the aforesaid terms 8d. Richard le Belleyettere holds two messuages and pays yearly at the aforesaid terms 4s. 6d. Crestiana Hykedy pays 4d. yearly for a certain tenement at the aforesaid terms. The tenements formerly of Adam de Boys in the aforesaid city pay 4s. yearly at the aforesaid terms. William Rokulf pays 4d. for a certain tenement at the aforesaid terms. Aldytha de Lebur' holds 1 messuage and pays yearly to the said Earl at the aforesaid terms 2s.; total of the rents of the said tenants is 28s. 8d. They also present that all the cordwainers and shoemakers of the said Earl pay annually to the said Earl at the feast of St. Martin in winter two pairs of boots, yearly value 4s. The pleas and perquisites of the court of the said Earl in the aforesaid city are worth, one year with another, 2 lbs. of pepper, value 20d. Total of this extent is 74s. 4d. Proved.

The aforesaid jurors also present upon their oaths that the said Earl for three years before the day he died gave Agnes de la Holy lond of Worcester all his arable land and all his meadow and pasture land, with the rents of all the tenants of the aforesaid tenements within Worcester, to hold for the term of her life in exchange for all the lands and tenements which the same Agnes held in dower in the vill of Little Intebergh [*Inkberrow*] by the death of John de Intebergh, her husband. And that the said Earl had nothing from the aforesaid lands and tenements or rents on

vinery [*? vivary*] is worth yearly 18*d.* There are in demesne 1 carucate and a half of land; the carucate contains 100 acres, each acre is worth 3*d.*; total 25*s.*; the half carucate of land contains 50 acres, each acre worth 4*d.*; total 16*s.* 8*d.*; and the total sum is 41*s.* 8*d.* There are also 25 acres of mowing meadow, each acre worth yearly 18*d.*; a park, the pasture is worth in the summer to sustain 10 cows 10*s.*, at 12*d.* per head; in the winter for sustaining 16 foals 4*s.*, at 3*d.* per head; there is no other pasture; total 14*s.* The pannage of the same park is worth 5*s.* yearly; there is no underwood in the same. There is a certain wood called Lenediwode which is common to all the country, in which there is no underwood. There is a certain watermill, worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.*, a certain fishery in the park, worth yearly 6*d.* There are rents of the free tenants, whose names and tenures are enrolled in a certain small roll¹, 7*li.* 2*s.* 3½*d.* There are also rents of the free tenants of Brudly [*Bradley ?*] in Wych 37*s.* 0½*d.* There are 28 customary tenants who hold 14 virgates of land in villenage, whose customs, works, and services are valued yearly at 10*li.* 14*s.* 8*d.*, each virgate paying 15*s.* 4*d.* There are rents of the cottagers, whose names and tenures are enrolled in a certain small roll¹, 34*s.* 3*d.* There are 12 villeins who hold 6 virgates of land at will, and pay yearly 106*s.* 11*d.* The tallage of the customary tenants at Michaelmas is worth yearly 53*s.* 4*d.* The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth yearly 20*s.* The toll of the road at Coppecote is worth yearly 3*s.* 4*d.* The saltpit at Wych with vats and 8 lead pans [*plumbii*] is worth yearly 40*s.* The advowson of the church there pertains to the lord of the manor, and the church is worth 10*li.*, according to the true value. There is also in the same manor at Hosyntre [*Martin Hussingtree*] 2*s.* 9½*d.* rents of the free tenants.

Total of the extent of this manor 38*li.* 11*s.* 1½*d.*

[Writ as on p. 56.]

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*Free Tenants of the Manor of Salewarp*¹.

. [holds] one mill with appurtenances for 20*s.* payable at the four [terms of the year], to wit, at Michaelmas and the feasts of St. Andrew, the Annunciation, and St. John the Baptist.

¹ Appended. This is the small roll referred to above.

. by the year 2*d.* at the same terms.

John 1 messuage and one [?] carucate of land with its appurtenances, and pays yearly half a mark at the same terms and owes suit.

Richard ate Orchard holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 6*s.* at the four terms, and owes suit.

R at Pull 1 messuage and half of half a virgate of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 6*d.* at the four terms.

Richard Reed holds the moiety of 1 messuage and half of half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6*d.*, and owes suit.

Richard Cachenach holds a fourth part of 1 virgate of land and 1 messuage with appurtenances, and pays yearly 12*d.* at the four terms, and owes suit.

Thomas Faber of Huggel (?) holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit.

Adam Ruthepot (?) holds two crofts, and pays yearly 4*s.* 8*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit.

John ate Halle holds 1 messuage and 8 acres of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 3*s.* at the same terms, and owes suit, that is to say twice a year.

Alice Buf holds 1 messuage and 3 acres of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 2*s.* 6*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit twice in the year¹.

Richard ate Mulne holds half a virgate of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 4*s.* at the same terms, and owes suit twice in the year.

John le Bores holds half a virgate of land and 1 messuage with appurtenances, and pays yearly 8*s.* 8*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit.

John Aspelon holds 1 virgate of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 14*s.* at the same terms, and owes suit twice in the year.

John de Brerhulle holds 1 virgate of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 10*s.* 2*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit.

¹ The state of the roll makes the reading to this point most difficult and uncertain.

Hugh Molend' holds 1 messuage and 1 croft, and pays yearly 4*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit twice a year.

Thomas Aleyn of Wiche holds 4 acres of land, and pays yearly 8*d.*, that is to say at Michaelmas 2*d.* and at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 6*d.*, for all services.

Thomas de Neuwent holds 1 messuage in Wiche with appurtenances, and pays yearly at the two terms 2*s.* 6*d.*, one half at Michaelmas and the other half at the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary, and owes suit.

Thomas Ingram holds 6 acres of land with appurtenances, and pays yearly 22*d.*, and owes suit twice in the year.

John Cassy (?) holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 2*s.* 10*d.* at the four terms aforesaid, and 6*d.* for 4 acres of land at the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary for all services.

Peter Cassy holds one site of a salt pit [*placeam saline*], and pays yearly 16*d.* at the four usual terms for all services.

John, son of Richard Cassy, holds 2 acres of land, and pays yearly 8*d.* at the four terms.

Richard Wighet holds 2 messuages, and pays yearly 5*s.* 8*d.* at the same terms, and owes suit twice in the year.

William de Froxemere holds 1 acre of land and 4 acres of meadow, and pays yearly 2½*d.* at the two terms.

The heirs of Alexander Allot hold 1 acre of meadow, and pay yearly 9*d.*, one half at Michaelmas, and the other half at the feast of the Blessed Mary in March, and owe suit twice in the year.

Thomas Allot holds 1 messuage, of which Ellen Allot holds the third part in dower, and pays yearly 4*s.* 8*d.* at the four terms.

Thomas Tappe holds one plot of land, and pays yearly 6*d.* at the two terms.

Robert Ameks (?) holds 1 croft, and pays yearly 12*d.* at the two terms for all services.

Alice . . . holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 3*s.* at the four usual terms for all services.

William le Cunнар holds 1 salt pit at the lord's will for seven shillings, and pays at the two terms, that is to say at Michaelmas and the Annunciation.

Thomas holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 1*d.*

Hugh Denys holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 12*d.*, that is to say, at Michaelmas and the Annunciation.

William Felvesone holds 1 site of a salt pit [*placeam salin'*], and pays yearly 2s. at the four usual terms.

Thomas de Duclent holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 7 shillings at the two terms.

Maud holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 12*d.* at the two terms.

Richard of holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 6*d.*

John le Crier(?) holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the two terms

William le T . . . eler holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the two terms

Robert holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at Michaelmas . . . and owes suit twice in the year.

John le Dekne holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 5*d.* at the two terms.

Thomas Hille holds 3 acres of land, and pays yearly 3s. 4*d.* at the 4 terms.

William C. holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly for [all] services¹.

John le holds 2².

Sum of the rents of the tenants of Bruyly of the cottagers, 34s. 3*d.*

[*Dorse.*]³

Pasturage. There is also one park there of which the pasture is worth [yearly] 10s. 0½*d.*, because . . . in the summer . . . able to sustain 12*d.* Also in winter it is 4s. for sustaining 16 colts. The pannage of the same is worth 5s., there is no other pasture and no underwood in the same. There is also a certain wood which is called Lenediwode, in which as it is common to the country there is no underwood. There is also a mill, worth yearly 1 mark. The several fishery in the park is worth 6*d.* . . . other fishery.

[Writ as on p. 56.]

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¹ Reading doubtful.

² The rest of the membrane illegible.

³ The beginning of these entries is much faded, and quite illegible. It seems to be

part of Salwarp and a repetition of some of the entries which are given on p. 76. The park, the pannage, Lenediwode, and the fishery appear to be the same.

BULEYE AND MERDELEY.

Extent of the manor of Buleye and of Merdel' made before Sir Adam de Lindberwe and William Merre on Sunday next before the feast of St. Faith the Virgin, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], by the oaths of William de la Lewod, William Beneyt, Hugh le Whyche, Richard Chaumpeneys, John de Bosco, Adam de Fulford, Thomas Atte Stawe, Richard de Braundesford, John de Thorkel, William de Conlerdon, John Haket, and William le Blake, at Worcester, who present that the court with the grange and cattle-shed is worth in easements 3s., and that the garden with the apple orchard and herbage is worth 2s. The curtilage is worth 6d. They say also that there are in Ippesford 60 acres of land of which 20 acres are worth 4d. (total 6s. 8d.), and 40 acres, each worth 3d. (total 10s.). And there are in y^e Ladi Redingges 24 acres, of which each acre is worth 3d., and in y^e Lamberheye 10 acres, each of which is worth 4d. And there are in Atheleres Croft 6 acres, each acre worth 3d., and in y^e Crabbe furlong 12 acres, worth by the acre 3d. And there are in the furlong of the old park towards Balltesford in the Westwelleschis 30 acres, worth per acre 2d. And there are in the furlong of Westwelleschis as far as Stambernesse 10 acres, worth by the acre 3d., and in the furlong upon Stabeynasse Croft as far as the windmill and the road leading from the court to the house of Sir Nicholas Rase, 32 acres, worth by the acre 2d. And also in the furlong upon the said road next the old park 12 acres, worth by the acre 3d., and there are in the croft of John Diyewe 4 acres, worth by the acre 2d.

Total acres 200, total in money 52s. 6d. (proved).

And there are in Brademedwe 24 acres of meadow, worth by the acre 8d.; and in Herdemedwe (?) 6 acres, worth by the acre 10d.; and there are in y^e Mormedwe 8 acres, worth by the acre 4d. And there are in y^e Rowemedwe 8 acres and 1 rood, worth by the acre 10d.; and in Atheleres Croft 1 acre and a half, worth by the acre 9d.; and in y^e Appletremedwe 2 acres and a half, worth by the acre 8d.

Total 47½ acres and 1 rood of meadow, total of the money 33s. 4d. (proved).

They say also that the herbage in the old park is worth yearly 100s., and the feeding of the pigs when there after gleaning 13s. 4d.,

and the underwood 6s. 8d. The herbage in the new park is worth 20s., and the underwood in the same 10s. The herbage in "le Hay" is worth 13s. 4d., and the underwood in the same 5s., and the feeding of the pigs in the same 12d. They say that the rabbit warren is worth 12d., and the fishery in the park is worth 6d. They say that the tak of the bondmen is worth 8d.; Peter's pence 3s. And the herbage in "Brademedwe de Rewan" is worth 3s., and the herbage in the foreign meadows is worth 12d. The pleas and perquisites of Buleye and Merdel with the heriots, fores [fines?], reliefs, with all other escheats, worth yearly 100s.

Total 13*li.* 18s. 6d. (proved).

There are at Buleye of rents of assize of the free tenants and serfs 15*li.* 14s. 7½d., and of tallage of the bondmen at Michaelmas 30s. There is 69s. "ripsilver" for the works of the customary tenants, except for 17 virgates and one quarter of land which are in the hands of the bondmen at 4s. for each virgate of land.

Total 20*li.* 13s. 7½d. (proved).

Merdel. There are rents of assize at Merdel of free tenants and bondmen 22*li.* 2s. 7½d.; tallage of the bondmen 26s. at Michaelmas; "ripsilver" for works of the customary tenants who hold 12 virgates of land, 4s. for each virgate, 48s.; in Peter's pence 6s. 8d.; "mathsilver" and "Tiny'silver" 5s. 3d. And the rabbit warren there is worth 12d. And the "tak" of the bondmen is worth 12d.

Total 26*li.* 10s. 6½d. (proved).

Sum total 65*li.* 8s. 5½d. (proved).

[*Endorsed.* Worcester, Buleye and Merdeleye.]

[Writ as on p. 56.]

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ACTON BEAUCHAMP.

Extent of the manor of Acton made there on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Matthew the Apostle, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], before Adam de Lymberwe and William Merre, [assigned to] make an extent of the lands and tenements of the lord Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, lately deceased, by the oaths of Leodegar' Pippard, Robert de Lawerne, Adam le Parker,

John Drugel, John de Lawerne, Simon Geffrey, Henry de Pryghele, Ernald Segrym, Richard Snoddyng, Richard le Colier, John atte Halle, and William atte Staple, who present that the capital messuage, with the buildings and gardens, with fruits and herbage, are worth yearly 9s., and that the dovecote is worth yearly 12d.

They say also that there are there in demesne:—

two carucates of land, worth yearly in all issues	65s.
three acres of meadow " " "	6s.
one watermill " " "	20s.

Free tenants of the same manor:—

Edward Burnel holds 1 virgate of land, and pays yearly 6s.

Adam de Kydelowe holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 5s.

Reginald Clericus holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6s.

Adam de la Rok holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6s.

Roger Faber holds 1 cottage and 1 croft, and pays yearly 2s.

Emma Wetherharm holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 9s. 1d.

Reginald atte Grene holds 1 furlong, and pays yearly 1d.

Robert de Wotton holds 1 virgate of land, and pays yearly 8s.

Adam Sexteyn holds 1 acre of land, and pays yearly 3d.

Denis atte Cros holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 6d.

Hugh Norman holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4d.

John de Yaggetre holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 7s.

Richard Selks holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 8s.

Nicholas de Sodinton holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 8s.

John de Wyndehull holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 8s.

Richard Snoddyng holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 8s.

Henry le Bonde holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 8s.

Henry le Bonde holds 1 croft, and pays yearly 12d.

Richard Coliere holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 7s.

Gilbert de la Wotton holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 5s.

Robert de Wotton holds 6 acres, and pays yearly 18d.

Robert de Wotton holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 4s.

Walter atte Grene holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 3s.

William de Somerset holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 5s.

Edith Newemon holds 1 virgate of land, and pays yearly 12s.

Roger Sexteyn holds 12 acres of land, and pays yearly 2s. 6d.

Adam de Iselford holds 12 acres of land, and pays yearly 3s.

William Maddoks holds 10 acres, and pays yearly 3s. 3d.

Ralph de Frogebache holds 12 acres, and pays yearly 6s.

Juliana de Frogebache holds 9 acres, and pays yearly 4s. 6d.

Cecily Penekes holds 6 acres, and pays yearly 2s. 11d.

Richard Hereward holds 12 acres, and pays yearly 3s.

William le Enche holds 18 acres, and pays yearly 5s.

Richard Taylur holds 6 acres, and pays yearly 18d.

Maud de Burton holds 12 acres, and pays yearly 6s.

William le Hopere holds 12 acres, and pays yearly 3s.

William Shereve holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 12d.

Isabell atte Hope holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 6d.

Richard Sheppare holds 12 acres, and pays yearly 2s.

Villein tenants [nativi] of the same manor :—

John de Jaggetr' holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12s.

John de Sodinton holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12s.

Richard atte Worthyne holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12s.

Petronilla de Gerenill holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12s.

Agnes Wetherharm holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12s.

[*Marginal note.*] This is the rent which the villein tenants pay when they do not work; the total of these particulars, in which are contained both the customs and the works which all the said villein tenants ought to do, amounts to The customs and works are stated on the dorse of this roll.

[*Dorse.*]

John de Yaggetre holds one messuage and half a virgate of land, and works from Michaelmas to the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for three weeks, except during the festival weeks, for one day each week, that is to say for 35 weeks in all, and each work is worth $\frac{1}{2}d.$ And he ploughs every month (?) during the said time for 4 days; every ploughing is worth $2d.$ And he gives at Michaelmas for every pig more than a year old $1d.$, and for every hogget $\frac{1}{2}d.$, and that custom is called "Takk'." And he gives at the same feast for tallage $13\frac{1}{2}d.$ And he owes at the feast of the Blessed Mary in March for "*fisse*" (*sic*) $2d.$ And he works from the said feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August, that is to say for 5 weeks, for 2 days each week, and every work is worth $\frac{1}{2}d.$; and from the gules of August to the feast of St. Michael for 36 days, and each work is worth $1d.$ And unless he is required he does not work by the week, except for four days and a half, until he has made up the aforesaid 36 days.

Total value of the works and tallage $12s. 0\frac{1}{2}d.$

John de Sodinton holds as much as the aforesaid John de Yeggetre, and does all services as the aforesaid John.

Richard atte Worthine holds as much, and does in all things as the aforesaid John.

Petronill' de Gwerenill holds as much as the aforesaid John, and does in all things as the same John.

Agnes Wetherharm holds as much as the aforesaid John, and does in all things as the same John.

And the pannage of pigs, which is above called tak', from all the villein tenants aforesaid is estimated one year with another at $10d.$

Total yearly value of all the works and customs of all the villein tenants aforesaid . . . s. $11d.$

Total of the whole extent of this manor $16\frac{1}{2}l. 16s. 10\frac{1}{2}d.$

[*Inquisition endorsed.*] Extent of the manor of Acton, in the county of Worcester.

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 79.

LITTLE INKBERROW.

Extent of the manor of Little Inteberewe made on Thursday next after the feast of St. Michael, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], before Sir Adam de Lyberwe and William Merre [assigned to extend] for the King all the lands and tenements of the said Guy, Earl of Warwick [according] to the writ, by the oaths of John de Codeleye, Richard Page of Sutton (? Mucton), John de Croweneste, Henry de Wynton, William de Otherton, William Vorluff (?)¹, Richard de Japenhal, Richard le Porter, John Balle (?), John atte Niche, John Bydon, and William de Otherton (*sic*), who present that there is a certain capital messuage in ruins with one garden and curtilage, worth yearly 6s. There is 1 windmill, worth yearly 5s., and there are there pastures for the bulls called Collye, which cannot be made into acres on account of their smallness and by reason of divers articles, which are worth yearly 5s. There are 3 acres of meadow open in ordinary times, worth yearly 2s.; there is no wood to be extended because it is in the hands of the Earl of Pembroke. There are two carucates of arable land in two fields, containing 220 acres, price per acre 4d. Total of the aforesaid acres 4*li*.

Rents. Peter de Inteberewe holds 1 messuage and one virgate of land by the service of one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, and holds by charter.

John le Leche holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land by the rent of 5s. at the 4 terms of the year for all services, and holds by charter.

John Davy holds 1 messuage and 30 acres of land by the rent of 12d. by the year at the 4 terms aforesaid for all services, and holds by charter.

Luke de Torkeden (?) holds 1 messuage and one croft (?) by the rent of 2s. and owes two suits, and holds by charter.

¹ This is Gorolf in a subsequent jury, see *post*, p. 87.

William David holds one acre of land by the rent of $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for all services, and holds by charter.

Thomas Edyht holds one messuage and half a virgate of land by the service of 2s. at the 4 terms of the year, and harrows for one day for the winter sowing, and is not extended at any value because on that day he is [fed] at the lord's table, or otherwise need not harrow; and gives a gift at the feast of the Nativity of the Lord, 3 hens and 1 cock, worth $4d.$, and stands at the lord's table with his wife, 1 boy and 1 servant, so that livery is worth $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; and he ought to hoe for 1 day with one man, worth $\frac{1}{2}d.$, and to turn the grass of the aforesaid meadow and to lift the hay with his neighbours, and his share of the work is worth yearly $1\frac{1}{2}d.$ And he reaps in autumn for 1 day with 1 man, and the work is worth $1d.$ Neither may he marry his son nor daughter nor teach his son to read (*ponere filium ad litteram*) without the lord's license.

Robert Incey.

Geoffrey Scott.

Nicholas Atte March.

Nicholas Scot.

Eddrich Walye.

Isabella de Salewarp.

Robert Kymot.

William Spaggenel.

Philip atte Grove.

Robert atte Wych.

Randolf and William Frere all hold and do as the aforesaid Thomas Edyht.

Cottagers. John de Wy be and does in all things as the aforesaid Thomas.

Pleas and perquisites are worth by the year 2 [Earl of] Pembroke has all the chief pleas and perquisites.

BISHAMPTON.¹

Sum 9*li.* 0*s.* $4\frac{1}{2}d.$

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

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¹ The extent is practically illegible; reference appears to be made to two parts of one messuage in ruins.

[Endorsed.]

Extent of the lands and tenements which were of Guy de Beauchamp made by Adam de Lymbergh and William Merre, 9 Edward II.

. made of the lands and tenements aforesaid
as in the year aforesaid.

[TEMPLE L]AWERNE.

Extent of the manor of Temple Lawerne made on Monday, the morrow of St. Matthew the Apostle, before Sir Adam de Lymberwe and William Merre, assigned by the King of England to extend all the lands of the Earl of Warwick by the oaths of John de Codel', Hugh de Wynton, William de Abyndon, John de Crowe . . . , William de Otherton, Walter Fabri, Walter de Otherton, Richard de Hanleye, William Gorolf'(?), Robert de , Richard le Portere, and le Oter, jurors, who present that there is there one messuage reasonably built with one garden and curtilage, worth yearly 8s. clear. There is one windmill, worth yearly 4s., because it is now let to farm for a term of 5 years; and one several pasture called Somerlosiwo for the bulls, worth yearly 12s., and another several pasture called Comer, worth yearly 6s., and another several pasture called More and Schyphaye, worth yearly 5s., and another pasture called Bydone-medwe, worth yearly 12d., and another pasture called Stapel-bache, worth yearly 8d. The pleas and perquisites of the court are worth 5s. There are there 4 acres of meadow, worth 12s.

Wood. There is there one site (*placea*) of a wood called Berchenegrove containing 4 acres, and the pasture thereof for the horses is worth yearly 6s. 8d., because the wood growing thereon was sold at the time when it first came into the King's hands, after the Templars had been disseized thereof; wherefore now there is no other profit.

Arable lands. There are there two carucates of arable land and they contain severally 12 acres, whereof 1 field containing 110 acres is called Ledonefield towards (*versus*) Worcester, value per acre 4d., as well fallow as prepared for sowing.

Total value of the acres 36s. 8d.

Also another field called Pirifeld, containing 30 acres, each acre is worth one year with another 6*d.*; and another field called Cavole(?), containing in itself by estimation 20 acres, price per acre 2*d.*; and another field called Watercrofte, containing 18 acres, price per acre 4*d.* There are 3 crofts called Polfeld, Cherchulle, and Nethelhay, containing 55 acres, each acre worth yearly 4*d.* And at la Hamme there is one furlong (*cultura*) containing 7 acres, price per acre 6*d.*

Total of the arable lands 4*li.* 0*s.* 16½*d.* (proved).

Free tenants. William de Wondesford holds 1 watermill and 1 croft of land, and pays yearly 18*s.* at the 4 terms, and owes suit at every court and holds by charter.

Lettice de Cleihulle holds 1 messuage and two crofts of land, and pays yearly 3*s.* at the 4 terms and owes suit.

Richard Prich' holds half a croft containing 4 acres at Nonteres Ethe, and pays yearly at the 4 terms 14*d.* for all services.

John de Feckenham holds one plot (*placeam*) of ground called Bruston, and pays at the two terms of the year 13*d.* for all services. The same John holds 1 tenement in Worcester, opposite the church of St. Nicholas, and pays at the 4 terms of the year 20*d.* Alan le Taillour holds 1 messuage there, and pays at the aforesaid terms 10*d.* Adam de Gonerdale(?) holds 1 messuage there, and pays at the aforesaid terms 10*d.* Margaret Hondyes holds one site of a garden in Losmere, and pays at the aforesaid terms 12*d.*

The preceptor of St. Wulstan's holds in his close next the chapel of St. Laurence one site of a garden, and pays at the two terms of the year 6*d.*

Aline la Charettere holds 1 furlong at La Grenestrete in Holbury containing 3 acres of land, and pays at the aforesaid two terms 4*d.* The prior of Worcester holds 4 acres at La Hethe, and pays at the 4 terms of the year 12*d.* The same prior holds there as a pitance (*ad pitanciam*) 1 furlong not measured, and pays at the two terms of the year 5*s.* Geoffrey Fabr' holds 2 acres of arable land in common, and pays therefor yearly at the two terms 8*d.*, and holds by charter. Geoffrey de la Werne holds 6 acres of land, and pays therefor yearly 1*d.* at Michaelmas for all services. John de Besford holds 1 tenement at Smyte, and pays at Michaelmas 1*d.* for all services. John le Power holds 1 tenement at

Wychoneford [*Wichenford*], and pays at Michaelmas 1*d.* for all services. Henry de Wynton holds 1 plot of land, and pays at Michaelmas 1½*d.* for all services. William Balle holds 1 croft, and pays at the two terms of the year 6*d.* John Wastenile holds 2 selions of arable land, and pays at Michaelmas 1*d.* Total of the rents of the free tenants 35*s.* 3½*d.* (proved).

Margery la Baskes holds 1 messuage and 1 nook of land in villenage, and pays at Michaelmas 2*s.* 3*d.*, and ought to 12 selions, and the value of the work is 8*d.* And she works from Michaelmas to Christmas 6 works in , and the value of the work is 6*d.* And she works from Christmas aforesaid to the feast of the blessed Mary in March for 12 weeks, value 12*d.* And she works from the aforesaid feast of the blessed Mary to the feast of St. Peter ad Vincula for 16 weeks 1*d.*, in all 16*d.* And she works from the feast of St. Peter aforesaid to Michaelmas, that is to say, for 1 week with 1 man, and for the other weeks with 2 men, and the value of that work is 13*d.* And she gives 1 bedrip for 1 day and a half by one man, worth 1½*d.* ; and she owes a gift at Christmas, that is to say, for the half of one loaf of bread 1*d.*, and for 1 hen and 1 cock 2*d.* And she owes pannage when it shall happen, for 1 pig more than a year old 1*d.*, and for one hogget 1½*d.* Neither may she marry son nor daughter without license of the lord, nor teach her son to read.

Total of the rents and value of her works 7*s.* 4*d.*

Nicholas de Holbur' holds and pays in all things as the aforesaid Margery 7*s.* 4*d.* Thomas de Wasternile holds and pays as the aforesaid Margery in all things except rent 3*d.* Total 7*s.* 1*d.* John Maunger holds and pays as the aforesaid Thomas, total 7*s.* . . . *d.* Adam le Fremon holds 1 messuage and half a nook of land, and pays at Michaelmas 12*d.*, and ought to work from Michaelmas to Christmas for 12 weeks by the day 1*d.*, and the value of the work is [and he] ought to work from the next week, from the said feast of Christmas, for 6 weeks, each week one work, and he ought to work for 6 weeks in Lent for half a day in each week, worth in all And he ought to work from Lent to Michaelmas for 25 weeks, in each week 1 work, worth in all 2*s.* 1*d.*, and he owes 1 bedrip for 1 day in autumn, worth 1*d.* Neither may he marry his son [etc.], as above. Total

John Russel holds and does in all things as the aforesaid Adam, total 3*s.* 11*d.* William le Scudder holds and does in all things as the aforesaid Adam. Total 4*s.* 11*d.* (?). de Walters receives of John de Wolfarton the bailiff of the Earl of Warwick 31*s.* (?) from what services they are ignorant, and of the will of the lord; let it be enquired. (Afterwards it is [found?] that for the same he owes yearly 3*s.*) Thomas le Bask' gives at Michaelmas 1 ploughshare, worth 6*d.*, during his life, for having license to remain upon the fee of the bishop of Worcester. Total from the preceding 47*s.* 1*d.* Total of the same extent 11*li.* 4*s.* 8½*d.*

[*Endorsed.*] Extent of the manor of Lawerne in the county of Worcester.

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 81.

PIRTON.¹

[*Endorsed.*] "Extent of the manor of Puryton in the County of Worcester."

Extent made there on Monday the morrow of St. Matthew the Apostle, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], before Adam de Lymberge and William Merre, assigned to make an extent of the lands and tenements of the lord Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, lately deceased, by the oaths of the jurors underwritten, to wit, Richard de Coulesdon, William Malteyn of Puppelynton, le Fremon of Pyndefen [*Pinvin*], Adam Sampson of Wyke, John Clericus of Birlyng[ham], Robert de Gardyno of Birlyng[ham], Richard Clericus, Robert de Blyborough, John de Sanford, Adam de Santford, Walter le Blake, and William Folhardy, who present that the capital mesuage with easements of the houses in the court with the fruit and herbage of the garden within the close are worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* There is there a vivary [*? vineyard*] in the heath land, of which the profits are worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.* There is a windmill, worth yearly 6*s.* There are arable lands in divers fields 322 acres, of which each acre is worth yearly 4*d.*, the total whereof is 107*s.* 4*d.* There are of mowing meadow 8 acres, of which each acre is worth yearly 2*s.* There is a certain pasture in Bockenhulle containing 4 acres, worth yearly 2*s.* There are 2 pastures in Schurnhulle and Stockynge, and they are taken into cultivation, worth yearly 16*d.*

¹ See *post*, p. 120.

There a certain foreign wood, the underwood of which is destroyed, and therefore it is not extended.

Peter Dru holds 1 hide and 1 virgate of land, and pays 1 lb. of cummin, worth 2*d.*, at Easter, and 1 rose at the feast of St. John the Baptist.

William Folhardy holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and pays at Easter 1 lb. of pepper, worth 12*d.*.

Thomas Dru holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays 1*d.* at Easter.

Richard le Taylur holds 1 messuage, and pays 2*s.* at the Easter and Michaelmas terms.

Sir Dru holds 1 piece of level ground [*placeam*], and pays at the 2 terms 6*d.*

John Brown holds 1 piece of level ground, 1 messuage, and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly at the 2 terms 10*s.* 6*d.*

John Coleman holds 1 piece of level ground, and pays yearly at Michaelmas 1 goose, value 2½*d.*

Joan Aleyn holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 2 terms 16½*d.*

William Tandy holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 2 terms 2*s.*

Isabel Wilemotes holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 3 terms 16*d.*

Walter Fab' holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 2 terms 12*d.*

William Granviyle holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 2 terms 2*s.*

Roger Loneschet holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 3 terms 2*s.*

William Attemore holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly at the 2 terms 2*s.* 6*d.*

John Weylond holds 1 messuage, and pays at the 2 terms 16*d.*

Thomas Bisschop holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays at the 2 terms 10*s.*

Joan Symondes holds 1 messuage, and pays at Easter ½*d.*

Walter Roger holds 1 messuage, and pays at Easter ½*d.*

Peter de Walcote holds 1 messuage and 1 nook of land, and pays at the two terms 5*s.* 6*d.*

Cecily la Woclere holds 1 messuage, and pays at the 2 terms 2s.

John le Mortymer holds 1 messuage, and pays at the 2 terms 18d.

Richard Attemore holds 1 messuage, and pays at the 2 terms 2s.

All the abovesaid tenants owe suit of court by the year.

The pleas and perquisites (with the fines of the land¹) are worth yearly 6s. 8d.

The advowson of the church belongs to the lord of this manor, and is worth yearly 10 marks.

This manor is held of the Abbot of Westminster by the service of half a fee (?).

Sum total of the extent 10*li*.

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 82.

WADBOROUGH.²

Extent of the manor of Wadbergh made there on Saturday, the vigil of St. Matthew the Apostle, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], before Adam de Lymbergh and William Merre, assigned to make an extent of the lands of G[uy], Earl of Warwick, lately deceased, by the oaths of the jurors, to wit, Robert de Harle, John de Londin, Robert de Burgtu(?), Adam de Londin, William de Ledene, Walter de Uppynton, Nicholas Ranel, Adam Huweyn, William atte Vineges, William Spencer, Robert Horalde, and William Trubel, who present that the court (?) of Wadbergh with the herbage and fruits of the garden is worth yearly 8s. There is a certain park, of which the pasture is worth yearly 33s. 4d. The pannage there is worth yearly 13s. 4d.

The underwood in the same is worth yearly 13s. 4d.

The underwood at Blakechurch is worth yearly 2s.

There is at Scoltone (Stoulton) a barton with a grange, worth yearly 2s. 8d., and one dovecote, worth yearly 4s., and a certain vivary [*? vineyard*], worth yearly 6s. 8d.³

There are there of lettable [*lucrabili* (?)] lands in the west field

¹ These words crossed out.

² See *ante*, p. 66.

125½ acres, of which each acre is worth yearly 4*d.*, and in the east field there are 132 (?) acres 1 rood, of which each [acre] is worth yearly 5*d.*

There are of mowing meadow near Avenes [*Avon*] 8 acres, of which each acre is worth yearly 2*s.* 6*d.*, and there are of mowing meadow 8 acres by parcels [*per parcellis*] in the fields, of which each acre is worth yearly 18*d.* There is a certain several pasture in Oldecrofte, worth yearly 3*s.* ; the pasture in Mulecrofte is worth yearly 12*d.* ; two other small pieces of meadow are worth yearly 8*d.*

There is one windmill, and one watermill, worth yearly 20*s.*

Total of the preceding particulars 11*li.* 4*s.* 11½*d.*

Free tenants.

Walter Bruly holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land by the service of being warrener.

The same holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 10*s.* at the 4 usual terms.

William Bruly holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 10*s.* at the 4 usual terms.

John Bruly holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 10*s.* at the 4 usual terms.

Thomas de Suthingtone holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 10*s.* at the 4 usual terms.

William le Chamberleyn holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12*d.* at the 4 usual terms.

John le Bor holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and pays yearly 20*s.* at the 4 usual terms.

William Twyty holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 12*d.* at the 4 usual terms.

The same holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land by the service of being hornblower without the gate of the castle of Amnele [*Emley*] at the feast of the Holy Trinity.

William le Carpenter holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, rendering by the year 1 [*corsorium*] at Christmas to the castle of Amnele.

John Thurston holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 13*s.* 4*d.* at the 4 usual terms.

Robert atte Hethe holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 11s. at the 4 usual terms.

John Attenok holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6s. at the 4 usual terms.

Thomas Castel holds 1 messuage with a croft, and pays by the year 18d. at the 4 usual terms.

Walter Moraunt holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, by the service of keeping the wood of Blakethurne, and carrying letters to Amnele [*Elmley*] and carrying them back¹, and holds a hurst.

The same holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 2s. 4d. at the 3 (*sic*) terms.

Thomas Molendinator' holds 1 messuage with a croft, and pays yearly 2s. at the 4 terms.

Geoffrey Moraunt holds 1 messuage and 1 acre of land, and pays yearly 8d. at the 4 terms.

Richard de Blakethurne holds 1 acre of land, and pays yearly 4d. at the 4 terms.

John de Blakethurne holds 1 nook of land, and pays yearly 3s. 10d. at the 4 terms.

Simon de la Tur (?) [Cur (?)] holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 3s. at the 4 terms.

John atte Welle, the younger, holds 1 messuage and 1 croft, and pays yearly 12d. at the 4 terms.

John atte Welle, the elder, holds 1 croft, and pays yearly 12d. at the 4 terms.

Olive le Turnur holds 1 croft, and pays yearly 12d. at the 4 terms.

Maud Molend' holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 20d. at the 4 terms.

Henry Molend' holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 4s. at the 4 terms.

John Faber holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 2s. 6d. at the 4 terms.

Richard Callenard holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 2s. at the 4 terms.

William le Pipare holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 2s. at the 4 terms.

¹ *Et portandi litteras apud Amnele, sine (or sive) report (andi).*

William le Frenche holds 1 cottage with a croft, and pays yearly 4s. at the 4 terms.

John atte Elme holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 18d. at the 4 terms.

Alexander de Bromtone holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 3s. at the 4 terms.

Robert le Muleward holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 12d. at the 4 terms.

Juliana Couherde holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 3s. at the 4 terms.

William Duce holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2s. at the 4 terms.

Thomas Thurston holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 3s. at the 4 terms.

William atte Veneges holds 1 croft, and pays yearly 12d. at the 4 terms.

Alan de Pershore holds 1 culture, and pays yearly 4s. at the 4 terms.

Adam William holds 1 croft, and pays yearly (?) at the 4 terms.

Peter le Gons holds 1 croft, and pays yearly (?) at the 4 terms.

John Spellesbur' holds half a forland, and pays yearly 7s. 0½d. at the 4 terms.

William Pyton holds half a virgate, and pays yearly 10s. at the 4 terms.

Richard de Mukenhulle holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 10s. at the 4 terms.

Roger Folyot holds the manor of Thornden, and pays yearly 1d. at Michaelmas.

The same holds the grove of Derfolde, and pays yearly 1 barbed arrow at Michaelmas.

Total of all the preceding 8*li.* 18*s.* 6½*d.*

There is [payable] for sheltering the pigs at Martinmas 12d.

Of "fisse" at the Annunciation 13d.

Of "hevedselver" at Hockeday 13*s.* 4d.

Of tallage at Michaelmas 60s.

The pleas and perquisites are worth by the year 20s.

Sum . . . 4*li.* . . . *s.* 5d.

Total . . . *li.* 18*s.* . . .

[Dorse.]

Copyhold tenants [nativi]. There are there 21 customary tenants, of whom each holds half a virgate of land in villenage; each [holder of a] virgate of arable land ploughs by custom between the feasts of Michaelmas and St. [John the Baptist?] for 1 day every week, that is to say half an acre, except in Pentecost; each ploughing is worth $2\frac{1}{4}d.$; and the total acreage of the aforesaid 10 virgates and a half for the same time 183 acres and a half and 1 rood, and the value for the same time 76s. 7d.

[The holder of] each virgate of land of the abovesaid 10 virgates and a half ought to harrow for 2 days at both sowings, and the harrowing is worth $\frac{1}{2}d.$; sum 21d.

[The holder of] each virgate of land of the aforesaid 10 virgates and a half ought to work from Michaelmas to the feast of St. John the Baptist each week for 5 days, except the ploughings, with one man, except the three weeks abovesaid; the work is worth $\frac{1}{4}d.$; the sum of the works for the same time is $1,837\frac{1}{2}$, and the total value of the same works is 76s. $6\frac{3}{4}d.$

[The holder of] each virgate of the aforesaid 10 virgates and a half works from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August for 5 weeks and 2 days, for 6 days each week, and the value of a work is 1d.; total works 337, and the value of the same 38s.

[The holder of] each virgate of land works from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary for 5 weeks and 4 days, for 6 days each week, and the value of a work is $1\frac{1}{4}d.$; total of the works 357; total value in money 44s. $7\frac{1}{4}d.$

[The holder of] each virgate of land of the aforesaid customary land works from the Nativity of the Blessed Mary to Michaelmas for 6 weeks(?), for 6 days each week, and the value of a work is 1d.; total of the works 189; total value in money 15s. 9d. (*proved*).

[The holder of] each virgate of land owes 32 bedripes in autumn, value of each $1\frac{1}{4}d.$; total bedripes 336; total value 42s. (*proved*).

[The holder of] each virgate of land makes of the lord's corn 11 quarters of malt by custom, and if it need not be done, nothing is paid, and is worth

[The holder of] each virgate renders "average"¹ with horses

¹ A day's work which the tenants of the Sheriff have to do on the demesne lands of the King. *Spelman*.

and carts for 1 day in every week for the whole year, and if it is not required nothing is rendered. Each service [*averagium*] is worth 1*d.*; total 45*s.* 6*d.*

Total value of the works aforesaid 16*li.* 13*s.* 10½*d.*

Greater cottagers. There are there 6 greater cottagers, each of whom holds a fourth part of 1 virgate in villenage, [and] each of whom works from Michaelmas to the Nativity of St. John the Baptist for 2 days each week, except the 3 weeks abovesaid, the value of a work is ½*d.*; sum of the works 420; total value 17*s.* 6*d.*; moreover each works except the 3 weeks abovesaid, Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, for 1 day, the value of a work is ½*d.*; total works 18; total value 9*d.* Each of them works from the Nativity of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August for 5 weeks and 3 days, for 2 days each week, and the value of a work is 1*d.*; sum of the works 66; worth 5*s.* 6*d.* Each of them works from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary for 5 weeks and 3 days, each week for 3 days, and the value of a work is 1½*d.*; sum of the works 108; worth 13*s.* 6*d.* Each of them works from the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin to Michaelmas for 3 days each week, value of a work 1*d.*; sum of the works 54; total value 4*s.* 6*d.* Each of them harrows at the two sowings for . . . day, the value of a harrowing is ½*d.*; sum 6*d.* Also each of the aforesaid drives the cattle every week to divers places by the year, on Saturday and Sunday when it shall be necessary, but if it is not necessary, he gives nothing And each of them makes and carries the hay when he does not work elsewhere, but if he does not do it he gives nothing. Total of the aforesaid cottagers 42*s.* 9*d.* (*proved*).

Lesser cottagers. There are there 5 lesser cottagers, each of whom holds 1 cottage and an eighth part of 1 virgate, and works every week from Michaelmas to the feast of St. John the Baptist for 1 day, value of a work ½*d.*; sum of the works 175; total value 7*s.* 3½*d.* Each of them works from the feast of St. John the Baptist to the gules of August for 5 weeks and 2 days, for 1 day each week, value of a work 1*d.*; sum of the works 25; total value 2*s.* 1*d.* Each of them works from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary for 5 weeks and 4 days, for . . . days each week, value of a work 1½*d.*; sum of the works 60;

worth 7s. 6d. (*proved*). Each of the aforesaid works from the Nativity of the Blessed Mary to Michaelmas for 2 weeks, for 2 days each week, value of a work 1d.; sum of the works 30; total value 2s. 6d. (*proved*). Each of them harrows once by the year; sum of the harrowings 5; worth 2½d. (*proved*). Each of them drives, carries trusses and makes the hay, worth 2½d.; and if it need not be done he gives nothing. And there is there 1 nook of land, containing (?) virgate, and it makes 8 bed-ripes, worth 11d. Another cottager owes 3 boondays, worth 4½d. Henry Chele and Richard de Pirintone owe 48 boondays, worth 6s., and the aforesaid Richard ought to carry the lord's writs whensoever and wheresoever it shall be necessary within the barony; this is worth 12d., and all (?) the aforesaid customary tenants to render marchete. Total value of the works of the cottagers, 28s. 2d. [Sum of the value] 20*li.* 4s. 8½d.

Total of this extent 45*li.* 3s. 5d.

[*Endorsement.*] Extent of the manor of Wadbergh, in the county of Worcester.

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 *Edw. II.*, No. 71, *mem.* 83.

NEWENTON.¹

Extent [of the manor of Newenton, made] on Monday, the morrow of St. Matthew the Apostle, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316] before Adam de Lymberwe and W[illiam Merre] assigned to make an extent there, by the oaths of John de Puplintone, Thomas W atte Tone, John de Selers, Adam Hurel, Robert Breweye, Gilbert Carpenter, John Tudlyng, Walter Child, Henry Richard Alayn, who present that the easements of the houses and closes are worth by the year 5s. 210 acres, of which each acre is worth by the year 6d.; total 105s. There are there 3 parcels of mowing meadow [containing] 9 acres and 1, of which each acre is worth yearly 2s.; total 18s. 6d.

There is there a certain foreign wood with underwood, worth 2s., and a certain watermill worth by the year 10s. Thomas de Newenton holds 1 carucate of land by the service of the third part of 1 knight's fee. Walter atte Wode holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays by the year 5s. at the 4 terms, to

¹ See *post*, p. 120.

wit, St. Andrew's, the Annunciation, St. John [the Baptist], and Michaelmas. Emma (?) atte Wode holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 4s. at the 4 terms.

There are there 23 customary tenants holding 12 virgates and a half of land, of which [the tenant of] each virgate of land works from Michaelmas to the feast of St. John the Baptist, except for 3 weeks, that is to say at Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost, for 3 days every week, and the value of a work is $\frac{1}{2}d.$; sum of the works 1,312 and a half; worth 54s. 8d.; he works from the feast of St. John to the gules of August for 5 weeks and 2 days, for 3 days each week, value of a work 1d.; sum of the works 200; total value 16s. 8d.; he works from the gules of August to the Beheading of St. John the Baptist for 4 weeks, for 3 days each week, value of a work $1\frac{1}{2}d.$; sum of the works 150; total value 18s. 9d.; he works from the feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist to Michaelmas for 4 weeks and 2 days, that is to say value of a work 1d.; sum of the works 175; total value 14s. $7\frac{1}{2}d.$ [The tenant of] each virgate owes 6 bed-ripes, worth 1d.; sum of the works 75; total value 9s. $4\frac{1}{2}d.$ Each of them pays "*de fisse*" from the Annunciation 1d., whereof the total is $12\frac{1}{2}d.$ Each of them renders at Christmas 2 hens, whereof the sum is 2s. 1d. All the aforesaid customary tenants give at Michaelmas for tallage (?) 33s. 3d.

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All the aforesaid customary tenants do a day's ploughing, 6 acres, worth per acre 6d.; sum 3s. Henry the Chaplain holds 1 messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 7s. 6d. at the 4 terms aforesaid. Margaret Plymer holds 1 cottage and perch, and pays yearly 3s. 3d. at the same terms. John Feest holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2s. at the same terms. Hugh Hondy holds 2 acres, and pays yearly 2s.

Edith Wyot holds $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres, and pays yearly 2s. at the same terms.

Thomas Coupere holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4s. 6d. at the same terms.

William Wyot holds 1 cottage and 1 acre and furlong, and pays yearly 40d. at the same terms.

Walter Plomer holds 1 cottage and 1 acre of land, and pays yearly 4s. 6d. at the same terms.

Thomas Sutere holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2s. at the same terms.

The pleas and perquisites are worth with the fines of the land 13s. 7d.

The pleas and perquisites of the view of Northpydele are worth yearly $\frac{1}{2}$ mark.

Total of this extent 17*li.* 15*s.* 7*d.* (*proved*).

The advowson of the church pertains to the lord of this manor, and is worth yearly 10*li.* (?).¹ This manor is held of the Abbot of Westminster by the service of half a fee.

[*Endorsed.*] Newenton Manor Extent.

COMBERTON.

[*Dorse.*]

[*Cumbertone*]. Extent made there on Monday the morrow of St. Matthew the Apostle, 9 Edward II. [A.D. 1316], [before] Adam de Lymberwe and William Merr[e], by the oaths of the 12 Jurors written within, who present that the easements of the houses in the court, with the fruit and herbage of the garden, are worth yearly half a mark. There are of arable land 220 acres, of which each acre is worth yearly 5*d.*; sum 4*li.* 11*s.* 8*d.*; of mowing meadow 16 acres, of which each acre is worth yearly 8*d.*; sum; a several pasture, worth half a mark, and a certain wood with underwood, worth yearly 3*s.*; a certain watermill, worth yearly 13*s.* 4*d.*; sum so far . . . *li.* . . . *s.* . . . *d.*

The Lord of Volashulle [*Wollashill?*] holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6*s.*

Nicholas Russell holds a mill with the meadow and island adjoining, and pays yearly 30*s.* at the 2 terms.

John Clericus of Burlingham holds 1 messuage and half a virgate and 1 nook of land, and pays yearly 17*s.* 8*d.* at the 4 terms.

Henry Sneth and Richard Page hold 2 messuages and 1 virgate of land, and pay yearly 25*s.* 4*d.* at the 4 terms.

John Westerne holds 1 cottage and 1 nook of land, and pays yearly 4*s.* 7*d.* at the 4 terms.

Peter Allayn holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 4*s.* at the 4 terms.

¹ See *ante*, p. 70.

Robert Hay holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2*s.* at the 4 terms.

John Horal holds 1 smithy, and pays yearly 8*d.* at the 4 terms.

John Boleyn holds 1 messuage, and pays yearly 12*d.*

Walter Mercer holds 3 cottages, and pays yearly 12*d.*

Reginald Croy . . . holds 1 small plot of land, and pays yearly $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* at Michaelmas.

William Mauditt holds 1 acre of land, and pays yearly $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* at the Annunciation.

Nicholas de Baddese [*Badsey* ?] holds 1 messuage and 2 virgates of land, and pays yearly 1*d.*, and 1 lb. of pepper and 1 lb. of cummin at Michaelmas.

Nicholas de Middleton holds 1 messuage and 2 virgates of land, and pays yearly 2*s.* 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.* and 1 lb. of cummin.

Robert Pollard holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4*s.* 2*d.*

Sybil Cotard holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4*s.* 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

Emma de le dene holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 7*d.*

Richard Brid (?) holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4*s.*

William le Cartere holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 3*s.* 6*d.*

William de le dene holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 5*s.*

Robert Dolle (?) holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 4*s.*

John Cotus holds 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land, and pays yearly 3*s.* 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

Henry Wayce holds 1 messuage and "*terram burrich*," and pays yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*

Richard de Stolter (?) holds half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6*s.* 5*d.*

Thomas Golafre pays 7*d.* and 1 lb. of cummin.

John le Wayce holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 5*s.*

William Oede (?) holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 3*s.* 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

Nicholas le Mauns holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2*s.* (?) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*

Thomas de Newynton holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4*s.*

Robert (?) Bouvile holds 1 island, and pays yearly 40*d.*

Robert de Warr' holds the fishery, and pays yearly half a mark.

John le Mauns holds "forland," and pays yearly 3*s.*

. . . Hug . . . holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 4*s.*

John le King holds "forland" (?), and pays yearly 4*s.*

Hugh Oede (?) holds "forland," and pays yearly . . . *s.*

John atte Brook holds "forland," and pays yearly 2*s.* 1*d.*

Walter . . . pyn holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2s.
 . . . le . . . holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 12d.
 Henry Tuby (?) holds 1 cottage, and pays yearly 2s.
 Roger Golafr' (?) holds "Wadyngs," and pays yearly 12d.
 "de terra stub," and proportionately for the rest, 2s. 4d.

Total of the preceding rents 10*li.* 3s. 0*½d.*

There are there 8 customary tenants who hold four virgates of land, and who plough by custom three acres, worth 12d., sow two acres of their own corn, with four weedings [*escr*], worth 2s., and harrow the said land, and that is worth; [The tenant of] every virgate works from the feast of Michaelmas to the feast of St. John the Baptist for two days every week, that is to say, 35 weeks, and the worth of a work is $\frac{1}{4}$ d.; sum of the works 330(?), worth; and works from the feast of St. John unto the gules of August for five weeks, for 3 days each week, the worth of a work 1d.; sum of the works 60, total value 5s.; and works from the gules of August to the Nativity of the Blessed Mary for five weeks, for five days every week, and the worth of the work is $1\frac{1}{2}$ d.(?); sum of the works 100, total value thereof 12s. 6d.; and works from thence to the feast of Michaelmas for weeks, for five days every week, and the worth of a work is 1d.; sum of the works 60, total value 5s.; and makes six bedripes in autumn, the value of which is $1\frac{1}{4}$ d.; sum of the works 24, total value 3s. Every virgate owes "*de fisse*" at the feast of the Annunciation 1d., sum 4d.; gives at Christmas four hens, whereof the sum is 16, and the value; and gives for malt(?)silver at the feast of St. Andrew 4d., sum 16d.

There are two cottagers who pay for their work between the feasts of St. Michael and St. John the Baptist 3s., and they work from the feast of St. John to the gules of August for 5 weeks, for 2 days each week; sum 20d. And beyond that (?) until the Nativity of the Blessed Mary for 6 weeks, and the value of a work is $1\frac{1}{4}$ d.; sum of the works 23, total value 3s. And they shall until Michaelmas for 3 weeks, and the value of a work is 1d.; sum of the works 12, total value 12d. And they give 6 boondays, worth And all the aforesaid cottagers owe "tak" and toll and give "merchete," and it is estimated at;

and they give half a mark for tallage at Michaelmas. The pleas and perquisites with fines are worth yearly half a mark. The pleas and perquisites of the view of Longeport (?) are worth yearly half a mark. Total of the preceding 4*li.* 0*s.* 17½*d.* The advowson of the church pertains to the lord of this manor, and is worth 6 marks. This manor is held of the Abbot of Westminster by the service of half a fee. Total of this extent 21*li.* 7*s.* 1½*d.* (*proved*).

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 71, mem. 84 dorse.

ADVOWSONS.¹

Extent of the advowsons of churches which were of Guy de Beauchamp, late Earl of Warwick, deceased, held of the King in chief, made by Master John Walewayn, escheator of the King on this side the Trent.

Worcester. Advowson of the free chapel of Elmeleye, extended at 10*li.*

Advowson of the church of Newenton, extended at 10*li.*

Advowson of the church of Acton Beauchamp, extended at 5 marks.

Advowson of the church of Lenchrocolf, extended at 10 marks.

Advowson of the church of Great Cumberton, extended at 40*s.*

Advowson of the church of Salewarp, extended at (*sic*) 20*li.* (?).

Advowson of the church of St. Peter, Worcester, extended at 20*s.*

Advowson of the church of Hyndelipe extended at 6 marks.

Advowson of the church of Pyriton, extended at 10 marks.

[Here follow advowson in various other counties.]

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 71, mem. 89.

KNIGHTS' FEES.

[Inquisition] of the knights' fees which were of Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, lately deceased, held of the King in chief, made by Master John Walewayn, escheator of the King on this side the Trent.

¹ See *ante*, p. 70.

*Worcester*¹. 1 fee in [*Holt*], which John de Beauchamp holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which William Fitz-Henry holds, extended at 30*li*.

. in Penedok', which William Fitz-Henry holds, extended at 30*li*.

. in Cochul [*Cookhill*?], which Osbert de Abitoft holds, extended at 30*li*.

. in Essebury [*Eastbury*], which John de Kekynwych holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which Alexander de Besseford holds, extended at 30*li*.

[One fee] in Brumesgrove, which Edmund de Grafton holds, extended at 30*li*.

. hulle, which Edmund de Grafton holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which Walter de Beauchamp holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which [Grimbald] Pauncefot holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which [Simon le] Brun holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which Richard de Gymenhull holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which Richard de Sudyngton holds, extended at 30*li*.

. which Richard de Braci holds, extended at 30*li*.

. holds, extended at 30*li*.

. holds, extended at 30*li*.

. holds, extended at 30*li*.

. Thomas(?) de Hanley holds, extended at 30*li*.

One knight's fee with appurtenances in Schrank [*Shrawley*?], [which] Mortimer held, extended at 20*li*.

The fourth part of one knight's fee with appurtenances in Codleye, by [Thomas] of Codeleye held [*and extended at*] 40*s*. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Hyndelupe, which Alexander de Abitoft holds, 10*li*., and half a knight's fee with appurtenances in Wolfrynton, which Walter de Bruly holds, 40*s*. One knight's fee with appur-

¹ This part of the membrane is almost illegible. It is merely the same as that given above on p. 68.

tenances in Dorne, which John de Abitoft holds, 100s., and half a knight's fee with appurtenances in Rudmerleye, which John de Rydmarleye holds, 40s., and half a knight's fee with appurtenances in Stocton, which William de Burmingham holds, 100s. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Wyttel [*Witley*], which Walter, son of Walter de Cokeseye, holds, 10*li*. Half a knight's fee with appurtenances in Cofton Haket, which Walter de Leyc' holds, 100s. The third part of one knight's fee in Ekyngton(?) and "Sant Marreys," which Peter de "Sant Marreys" holds, 40s. Two and a half knight's fees with appurtenances in Upton Warren with its members, which William Fitz-Warren holds, 30*li*. Half a knight's fee in Chaddesley [*Chaceley*], which the Prior of Little Malvern holds, 100s. Half a knight's fee with appurtenances in Cofton Richard, which Sybil, daughter of John de Cofton Richard, holds, 8*li*. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Hampton with its members, which John Lovet holds, 20*li*. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Hampton and Kemyngford, which Peter le Blound holds, 20*li*. The sixth part of one knight's fee with appurtenances in Brocton Beauchamp, which Maud de Beauchamp holds with John Lovet, 30s. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Ruschoke, which Henry, son of Henry Stormy, holds, 20*li*. The fourth part of one knight's fee with appurtenances in Wodecote, which John de Bissheppesdon holds, 70s. (?). Half one knight's fee with appurtenances in Newenton, which Thomas Fitz-John holds, 100s. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Cokeseye, which Walter Fitz-Walter holds, 21*li*. (?). Half one knight's fee with appurtenances in Lench Rocolf, which Thomas, son of William Rocolf, holds, 10*li*. (?). The twentieth part of one knight's fee with appurtenances in Shireveheye, which Alexander de Abitoft holds, 20s. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Northpidele, which Henry de Segrave holds, 20*li*. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Forfeld, which John de Sudleye holds, 10*li*. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Flavel, which John Lovet and John Haket hold, 11*li*. One knight's fee with appurtenances in Longedon, which Robert Fitz-Edmund holds, 10*li*. Half a knight's fee with appurtenances in which Richard de Mortimer holds, 11*li*.

[Here follow the knight's fees in other counties.]

[Writ as above on p. 56.]

Inq. p.m., 9 Edw. II., No. 71, mem. 90.

XXI.

JOHN DE KEKYNGWYK,

KEKINGWYK [KENSWICK].

Inquisition made at Worcester before the escheator of the King in the county of Worcester, on Thursday next after the feast of St. Peter in Cathedra, 10 Edward II. [A.D. 1317], by John le Power, John Blanket, Hugh(?) de la Hyde, Walter de Perdeswelle, Henry de Wyntonia, William Gorolf, John de Crowenest, William de Abyndon, John Flagge, Walter de Bedeworthyn, Henry de Clyelode, and Richard de Coldecote, who present that John de Kekyngwyk held nothing of the King in chief upon the day he died, but that he was seised in his demesne as of fee on the same day of one messuage, one carucate and a half of land, and six acres of meadow, with appurtenances in Kekyngwyk. They say that the easements of the houses of the said messuage, with the garden and curtilage, are worth by the year in all issues half a mark, and the said carucate of land contains in itself 180 acres, and those acres are worth by the year 60s. And the said six acres of meadow are worth by the year 12s. The said John held the advowson of one chapel in Kekyngwyk, which chapel is worth by the year four marks. Also by knight's service, to wit, by the moiety of one knight's fee. They also say that John was as of fee on the day he died of eight shillings annual rent in the vill of Wyke, issuing from twelve acres which certain rent is received annually at the feast of St. Martin, and the said rent is held by

All the aforesaid tenements in Kekyngwyke¹ and Wyke are held of the Earl of Warwick are in the custody of the King, by reason of the minority of the said Earl.

. wyk is son and heir of the said John, and is aged thirty-eight years

Inq. p.m. Chancery, 10 Edw. II., No. 12.

¹ In the Writ, dated 24 January, 10 Edward II., the name is spelt "Heckyngwyk."

XXII.

HUGH DE BELNE,
KING'S NORTON.

Inquisition taken before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 10 March, 11 Edward II. [A.D. 1318], by William de Bragge . . . , William de Alvechurche, Robert de Bysshpeshull, William atte Leye, William de Wasthull, William de Brademete, Richard le Wyke, Walter le Senes', Adam Godmon, John le Chaunz (?), John de Northf', and Richard de Costone, who present that Hugh de Belne held in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died certain lands and a certain tenement of the King in chief at Kynge's Norton, by the service of 6s. 8d. yearly rent, payable to the exchequer by the hands of the sheriff of Worcester for all services. There is there a certain capital messuage which is worth nothing yearly because it is wholly ruined; sixty acres of arable land, which are worth yearly 20s. He also held in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died two acres of land of the Bishop of Worcester at Alvechurch, by the service of one penny yearly, and they are worth yearly 6d.

The jury also say that William de Belne, son of the aforesaid Hugh de Belne, is the next heir, and was aged twenty-three at Michaelmas last past.

Writ dated 23 July, 11 Edward II. [1318].

Inq. p.m., 11 Edward II., No. 16.

XXIII.

JOHN DE MORTIMER,
BROMSGROVE, KING'S NORTON.

Inquisition made before the escheator of the King at Worcester, 8 March, 12 Edward II. [A.D. 1319], by William, son of Ralph de Doverdale, Richard le Clerk of Bremes', Henry de la Hyde, Walter le Mercer, Robert le Moynyl, Robert de Caldewalle, Richard de Hull, Adam of the Mill, Adam de Hanewoode, William de la Pirye, Hugh de Wolston, and Robert Aleyn of Wych, who present that

John de Mortimer of Wyggemore held in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died the manors of Bremsgrove and Norton of the King in chief at fee farm, by charter of the King, for the service of ten pounds yearly payable at the King's exchequer. The said manors of Bremes' [*Bromsgrove*] and Norton are worth nothing beyond the aforesaid farm of ten pounds, because Margaret de Mortimer receives there 100*li.* for the term of her life, of the inheritance of the lord Roger de Mortimer.

The jury also say that Roger de Mortimer of Wyggemore is next heir of the said John, and that he was aged thirty at Michaelmas last past.

Writ dated 4 February, 12 Edward II.

Inq. p.m., 12 Edw. II., No. 10.

XXIV.

JOHN LE BRUN,

CALDWELL.

Extent of the lands and tenements which were of John le Brun on the 20th May, 11 Edward II. [A.D. 1318], made at Caldewelle on Thursday next after the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, 13 Edward II. [A.D. 1320], by Robert de Harleye, William le Chamberlein, William le Brudly, William Foward, Robert atte Hethe, John de Blakechurne, Walter Malten, Geoffrey Moraund, Richard de Sutton, William Williames, Thomas Cabbel, and Stephen Boun, who present that the same John held at Caldewelle aforesaid on the 11th of May a certain capital messuage, which is not worth its yearly upkeep; also eight acres of arable land in a close, which are worth yearly 2*s.* 8*d.*; thirty-one acres of arable land, which are sown every second year, worth yearly 2*s.* 7*d.*; one acre and a half of meadow, worth yearly 3*s.* The tenements aforesaid are charged yearly with suit at the county court of Worcester, which is worth yearly 2*s.*, and with 4*s.* 0½*d.* rent to the Abbot and Convent of Persthore.

Sum of the whole value of the lands and tenements aforesaid by the year, in all issues, saving reprises, 23*d.*

Writ dated 2 June, 13 Edward II. [1319].

Inq. p.m., 13 Edw. II., No. 36.

XXV.

JOHN DE SLOUGHTRE,
ECKINGTON.

Valuation of all the chattels of John de Sloughtre, and extent of the lands and tenements of the same John, made at Ekynton on Tuesday on the morrow of St. Botulph, 13 Edward II. [A.D. 1320], by William Tribel, John de Solers, Robert le Breware, Nicholas de Fourches, William de Le . . . e, Richard le Caam, Robert Berald, William Mogge, Walter de Sonnebury, Robert atten Orchard, Robert Franks, and John Wich, and by the writ of elegit of the King, at the suit of Thomas de Berton, vicar of the church of Mewesham. The jury say that there is there a . . . (?)¹, worth 3*s.*; straw and litter, worth 3*s.*; flax, worth 2*s.*; one gander and three geese, each worth 6*d.*; twenty . . . (?)², each worth 2*d.*; a brass pot and a brass dish, worn, worth 12*d.*; one cart and one old plough, worth 2*s.* There are there 22 acres of land sown with corn, of which the crop this year is worth 44*s.*; 13½ acres sown with wheat, of which the crop this year is worth 26*s.* 6*d.*; 13 acres sown with barley, of which the crop this year is worth 26*s.*; 26 acres sown with drag, the crop of which is worth this year 52*s.*; 14 acres sown with "pols"³ [*sic*], the crop of which is worth this year 28*s.*; 3½ acres of meadow, the crop of which is worth this year 15*s.*

Total of all the chattels 10*li.* 7*s.* 10*d.*

The same John had there a certain capital messuage with a garden, which was William de Staverton's, and which is worth yearly, saving reprises, 2*s.*; a certain toft, which was Thomas Hasket's, worth yearly in all issues 5*s.*; a certain little curtilage, which was Robert Stevens', which is worth yearly beyond the service owed to the chief lord 2*d.* There are lands sown and lying fallow, one hundred acres of arable land, of which every acre of seventy acres is worth by the year 6*d.*; sum 35*s.*; and every acre of thirty acres is worth by the year 4*d.*; sum 10*s.*; there are, as appears above, three and three-quarters [*sic*] of meadow, every

¹ Maer' ? a place for fermenting.

² "Ancule" ? drinking vessels.

³ Qy. "pois" peas ?

acre of which is worth by the year 4s.; sum 15s.; eight shillings and one penny annual rent received from the free tenants, viz. from William Sire for a tenement which he inhabits there 7s.; from John Janyns for a tenement which he inhabits there 13d.

The jury also say that John de Sloghtre owes to the chief lord, yearly, for the aforesaid tenements 21s. 10d., and further he owes suit at the court of his lord every three weeks, which is worth yearly 2s.

Total of all the lands and tenements of the said John de Sloghtre, saving reprises, 51s. 5d.

Writ dated 8 May, 13 Edward II. [1320].

Inq. p.m., 13 Edw. II., No. 37, mem. 6.

XXVI.

PETER DE SALTMARSH, MORTON FOLIOT, ETC.

Inquisition taken at Worcester before the escheator of the King on Wednesday next after the feast of Easter, 15 Edward II. [A.D. 1322], by Edward de Solneye, John de Monte, Robert de Clevelode, William Redwy, Thomas atte Mor', Adam Martyn, William Moyses, John Clerk of Morton, Adam Enthe yerth (*sic*), Richard Ondren, Nicholas Yonnyng and William Doly, who present that Peter de Saltmarsh held nothing of the king in chief in the county of Worcester, in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died, but that he held Morton Folet, Longedon and Chaddesleye [*Chaceley*] of the Abbot of Westminster by socage, to wit, paying annually therefor to the said Abbot twelve marks at the four usual terms in equal portions and coming twice to the lord's court yearly for all services, and they are worth by the year in all issues beyond the service aforesaid three shillings and fourpence. The jury say also that he holds Ekynton [*Eckington*] of the Earl of Warwick by the service of one rose by the year at the feast of St. John the Baptist, payable for all other services¹, which service is assigned to the Countess of Warwick for her dower; and the said Ekynton is worth by the year 12 marks. The jury also say that he held Ackebarewe of the lord Robert of Braci' pertaining

¹ See *ante*, p. 105.

to the manor of Madresfelde for the service of forty shillings annually, payable at the four usual terms in equal portions, and at the feast of Easter one pair of gloves for all other services to be done therefor, and it is worth yearly, beyond the service aforesaid, three shillings and fourpence.

John, his son, is his next heir, and is aged ten years.

Writ dated 20 March, 15 Edward II. [1322].

Inq. p.m., 15 Edw. II., No. 18.

XXVII.

JOHN DE PENDOK,

PENDOCK.

Mem. 1. Inquisition taken at Penedok before the escheator of the King, 26 December, 16 Edward II. [A.D. 1322], of the lands and tenements, of which John de Penedok was seised in his demesne as a fee upon the day he died, by Peter Waupol', Simon Underhull, William atte Clyve, Thomas atte More, Nicholas atte Hull, William atte Hull, Nicholas le Archer, Gilbert Danyel, Robert Abraham, John le Smyth, William Tandy and Adam Waxmon, who present that the said John held upon the day he died in his demesne as of fee of Geoffrey Dapetot, one messuage and eighteen acres of land, by the service of a third part of a moiety of a knight's fee and the easements of the house, with the garden, are worth yearly in all issues 2s.; every acre of land is worth yearly 3d. He held of the same Geoffrey four acres of meadow, and every acre is worth yearly 12d. He held four acres of land of William atte Clyve, and paid scutage when it occurs, and service of 2d. yearly. He held of Thomas de la More one acre of land and one acre of meadow, by the service of 5d.; of Robert de la More one acre of land, by the service of 1d. yearly; of William le Wasp one acre of land, by the service of 1d. yearly. The jury say also that the said John has there free tenants, who hold six messuages and divers plots [*particulas*] of land, and pay yearly in rent of assize 15s. at the two terms of the year. They say that the pleas and perquisites are worth yearly in all issues 12d.

John de Penedok, son of the aforesaid John, is his next heir, and is aged nine years and more.

Mem. 2. Memorandum that Master John Waleway, escheator of the King in the county of Worcester, assigned to Cecily, who was the wife of John de Penedok, as her reasonable dower of the lands and tenements of the same John, upon the day he died by writ of the King, the third part of the tenements on the north part, that is to say a half part of the grange on each side of the gate adjoined to the same, and one "waighhous" with the chapel in the churchyard and the easements of the well and bakehouse and free ingress and the third part of a dovecot and the third part of the garden and curtilage, by bounds set out by the jurors. The same Adam (*sic*) assigned to the same Cecily thirteen selions in which is called le Inheth, four selions in "le Chircheaker," and in le More Olde fifteen selions; item, in le Lasse Olde, eight and eleven and sixteen (*sic*) selions; also in the field called Rippelgarth on the east side, of two parts, six selions, on the west side five selions; also le Oldehull above ten selions "binethe Waye" eight selions; also in the same field two selions and one selion; also in Jackescroft, seventeen selions and four buttes; also in the ; also in Waxmonnsfeld fifteen selions and four gores; also le Newelonde, four acres; also in the Brodefeld twenty-five selions and three buttes. He assigned to the same Cecily the Peter W. yearly 12*d.*; Thomas de la More, who owes yearly $\frac{1}{2}$ *d.*; also Alice le Archer, who owes yearly 6*d.*; also William who owes yearly 10*d.*; William le Southerne, who owes yearly 2*s.*; William le Mileward, who owes yearly the third part of one meadow.

Writ dated 13 November, 16 Edward II.

Inq. p.m., 16 *Edw. II.*, No. 16.

XXVIII.

JOHN DE SOMERY, DUDLEY, WEOLEY, CRADELEY.

Mem. 7. Inquisition tenements of which John de Somery was seised upon the day he died in his demesne as of fee by de Fokerham, Richard (?) Lowekyn, Roger de Fokerham, Adam de Whetecroft, John, John atten, Hugh

de Blakenhale, William de Horwynton, Nicholas de Wylynghus, Richard Alisaundre, John de More? of Swyneford and Perkins, who present that John de Somery held upon the day he died in his demesne as a fee

[Seventeen lines practically illegible, but they appear to relate to land in Dudley and Penesneth [*Pensnet*].

Sum 41*li.* 6*s.* 9½*d.*

There is also at Wleye [*Weoley Castle*] in Northfelde one messuage with a close of court, which is worth yearly 3*s.* 4*d.*; a certain dovecote with a garden, which is worth yearly 5*s.*; two vivaries, which are worth yearly; four carucates of land, which are worth yearly 4*li.*; ten acres of meadow, worth yearly; an underwood, worth yearly half a mark; rents of assize of nineteen free tenants 6*li.* 18*s.* 6*d.* payable at three feasts of the year with suit of court wards There are customary tenants who hold thirteen virgates of land, and pay yearly 12*li.* 13*s.* at the three terms. There are yearly 66*s.* 6*d.* at the three terms; fifteen tenants of new land; 11 cottagers [*coterill*] who hold 11 cottages, and they pay yearly 28*s.* 4*d.* at the three terms; yearly 30*s.* The pannage of the pigs is worth yearly 12*d.* Pleas and perquisites of court yearly 40*s.* at the feast of St. Andrew.

Total 38*li.* 4*s.* 2½*d.*

Cradeleye. There is also a certain messuage with a close, which is worth yearly 2*s.* There are also in demesne 60 acres of arable land 15*s.*; four acres of meadow, worth yearly 6*s.*; pasture underwood; one free tenant, who holds eight selions of land, and pays yearly at the four terms of the year; a certain mill 22*s.*; nineteen customary tenants who hold nineteen messuages and nine and a half virgates of land, and pay yearly farm of the cheusar¹ is worth yearly 6*d.* The customary tallage is worth yearly 10*s.*; the pannage of the pigs is worth yearly 2*s.* are worth yearly 32*s.* 6*d.* There are due to the lord forty hens, worth yearly 3*s.* 8*d.* Pleas and perquisites

Total 7*li.* 18*s.* 6½*d.*

¹ (*sic*) ? meaning, the word is *not* chevag'.

Old Swyneford. The jury also present that the said John Somery acquired to him and his heirs for ever the manor of Old Swyneford with appurtenances in chief for the service of suit of court every three weeks, and ward and relief when they shall happen certain garden, worth yearly 2s.; one carucate of arable land, worth yearly 30s.; one acre yearly 18d.; twenty free tenants, who hold ten virgates of land, and pay yearly of rent of assize 58s. 2d. at the four terms in equal portions; two free tenants who hold one virgate Gules of August; three free tenants who hold three messuages and three half virgates 19s. 6d. at the four terms of the year in equal portions; six free tenants who hold six cottages (?), and pay yearly 3s. 6d. (?) at two terms of the year; one free tenant, who pays yearly one barbed arrow at the feast of St. John the Baptist; eight customary tenants, who hold eight messuages and eight half virgates of land, and pay yearly 38s. 8d. at two terms of the year. There is a certain free tenant who holds one messuage and half a virgate of land, and pays yearly 6s. 3d.; there is one cottager [*coteril*"] who holds one cottage, and pays yearly 6d.

There are coal-mines, and they are worth yearly 20s.

Pleas and perquisites of court are worth yearly one mark.

The jury say that Margaret, wife of John de Sutton, and Joan, who was the wife of Thomas de Botecord¹, sisters of the aforesaid John de Somery, are next heirs to the said John; the said Margaret was aged thirty-two years at Easter last past; and that the said Joan was aged thirty years at the feast of St. John the Baptist last past.

Total 9*li.* 18*s.* 8*d.*

Mem. 8. Extent of the lands, which were John de Somery's upon the day he died, the same values as before.

ADVOWSONS.

Mem. 10. Inquisition taken at Worcester before the escheator of the King², 20 December, 16 Edward II. [A.D. 1322], by John de Midelton, Richard Fokeram, Roger Fokeram, Adam de Watercroft, Richard Alysandre, Richard Lovekyn, Elias Perkyn, John

¹ In Inquisitions taken from other counties the name appears "Bottecourt."

² John Walewayn.

de Wychel, Thomas Suchel, William de Duddel', John de Mere and William de Wytemore, who present that the said John de Somery held, upon the day he died, the advowson of the church of Old Swyneford, and it is worth yearly *9*li**. They say also that Edmund de Haggel' held of the same John, upon the day he died, one knight's fee in Haggel' [*Hagley*], and it is worth yearly *40*s**.; William de Symplingford held of the said John half a knight's fee in Pebmore [*Pedmore*], and it is worth yearly *20*s**.; Adam de Hernynton held of the same John half a knight's fee in Fraunkel' [*Frankley*], and it is worth yearly *20*s**.; the Prior of Duddel' held of the same John a fourth part of a knight's fee in Chircheshull, and it is worth yearly *10*s**.; Thomas de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, held of the same John one knight's fee in Belne Brown [*Broughton*?], and it is worth yearly *40*s**.; Geoffrey de Selleye held of the same John the twenty-third part of a knight's fee in Selleye, and it is worth yearly *21*d**.; John de Midelton held of the same John a fourth part of a knight's fee in Northfeld, and it is worth yearly *10*s**.; the aforesaid Geoffrey de Selleye held of the same John one knight's fee in Bernak in the County of Northampton, and it is worth yearly *40*s**.

The jury say also that the same John de Somery held the advowson of the church of Old Swyneford, which is worth yearly *10*li**.

Writ dated 18 August, 16 Edward II. [1323.]

Mem. 15.¹ Pourparty of John de Sutton and Margaret his wife, one of the sisters and heirs of John de Somery, deceased.

Worcester. The vill of Dudley with its appur-	
tenances	<i>41<i>li</i>. 6<i>s</i>. 9½<i>d</i></i>

Mem. 16. Pourparty of Joan [*Boutecourt*], one of the sisters and heirs of John de Somery, deceased, of the lands and tenements in fee.

Worcester. The castle and manor of Woleye and	
Northfeld with appurtenances	<i>38<i>li</i>. 4<i>s</i>. 4½<i>d</i></i>
The manor of Cradleye with appur-	
tenances	<i>7<i>li</i>. 8<i>s</i>. 6½<i>d</i></i>

¹ This is the partition of John de Somery's estate between his two sisters, Margaret Sutton and Joan Bottecourte, who were found to be his heirs.

Pourparty of the said Joan of the lands and tenements which Lucy, who was the wife of the said John, held in dower of the heirs aforesaid, after the death of the same Lucy.

Worcester. The manor of Old Swyneford with appurtenances *9li. 18s. 8d.*

Mem. 18. Pourparty of the Lady Joan Butcourte, one of the sisters and heirs of John de Somery, of the knight's fees and advowsons of churches, which were of the said John, and which were held of the king in chief.

Worcester. One knight's fee in Haggele, which Edmund de Haggele held, together with the marriage of the same Edmund when it should happen	40s.
A moiety of one knight's fee in Pobmore, which Sarra de Pabmore held	20s.
A moiety of one knight's fee in Fraunkel', which Adam de Herewynton held	20s.
The fourth part of a knight's fee in Chirchehill, which the Prior of Dudle held	10s.
One knight's fee in Belnebrocton, which Guy de Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, held	40s.
The twenty-third part of a knight's fee in Selley, which Geoffrey de Selley held	...d.
The fourth part of a knight's fee in Northfeld, which John de Middleton held	.....
One knight's fee in Bernak in county Northampton, which Geoffrey de Selley held	40s.

Mem. 19. [List of fees as above, p. 115.]

Inq. p.m., 16 Edw. II., No. 72.

XXIX.

AYMER DE VALENCE, EARL OF PEMBROKE, INKBERROW.

Mem. 56. Inquisition taken at Worcester on Wednesday in the feast of St. Peter ad vincula, 18 (*sic*) Edward II. [1325], before John de Hampton, escheator of the King in the counties of Hereford, Gloucester, Worcester, Salop and Stafford, and in the Marches of Wales, adjoining the same counties, by the oaths of Robert de

Somery, John le Power, Robert de Throkemarton, John de Codeleye, Richard de Hanckeslawe, Alexander de Hodynton, William de Chester, Robert Bate, William le Chamberleyn, Richard Noreis, Phillip de Aysherugg and John de Waltham, who present that Aymer de Valence, late Earl of Pembroke, held neither lands nor tenements in the county of Worcester upon the day he died, in his demesne as of fee, but they say that the said Earl held the manor of Intebergh' [*Inkberrow*], with the advowson of the vicarage of the same in the county aforesaid for term of his life, by demise from John de Hastyngs, lord of Bergeveny [*Abergavenny*], so that after the decease of the said Earl, the said manor with the advowson of the vicarage of the same, with all its appurtenances, should wholly revert to the aforesaid John de Hastings and his heirs. He did not hold any other lands or tenements in the aforesaid county upon the day he died. The said Earl held the said manor with the advowson of the Bishop of Hereford, and the same Bishop held the said manor with the advowson aforesaid of the Bishop of Worcester, by what service the jury is ignorant.

The jury say also that there is in the said manor a certain capital messuage, which is worth yearly 2*s.* beyond reprises; three carucates of land, worth yearly 60*s.*; twelve acres of meadow, worth yearly 18*s.*; a certain park, the pasture of which is worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; two watermills, worth yearly 10*s.*; rents of assize yearly, as well of free as bond tenants, 16*li.*, at the four terms of the year in equal portions.

Mem. 109. Inquisition taken at Gloucester before John de Hampton, escheator of the King in the county of Gloucester, on Monday next after the feast of St. Bartholomew, 18 Edward II. [1325], by the oaths of William Dameysele, Nicholas de Seymour, Richard le Clerk of Pagenhull, Henry le Ferm', Henry de Strodforde, Henry Bacekot, Nicholas atte Chircheye, John le Walssh of Husmarleye, Robert Mordefreit, John de Hofford, Henry de Wyke and Henry Odierne, who present that Robert de Staunton held of Aymer de Valence, late Earl of Pembroke, upon the day he died the manor of Staunton, in county Worcester, with appurtenances by the service of half a knight's fee, which is worth yearly 20 marks; John de Hulle held of the aforesaid Earl upon the day he died the manor of Hulle [*Hill*], in the county aforesaid, with appurtenances for the service of half a knight's fee, and it is worth yearly 10*li.* John de Everleye held of the aforesaid Earl upon the day aforesaid

the manor of Spechesleye [*Spetchley*] in the county aforesaid, with appurtenances for the service of half a knight's fee, and it is worth yearly 10*li*.

[The Inquisition deals with other premises held of the said Earl in Hereford and Gloucester, and finds Laurence Hastings as one of the heirs of Aymer de Valence.]

Mem. 115. The fees underwritten, in demesne and reversion, are assigned to the share of Laurence, son and heir of John de Hastynge, kinsman, and one of the heirs¹ of Aymer de Valence, late Earl of Pembroke, deceased.

Mem. 117. Fees in demesne for the boy.

Worcester. Fifteen knights' fees with appurtenances in divers counties, viz. in Cannefeld, Erston, Halsted, Moneweden, Rokland, Northwolde, Ikeburgh, Gresseham, Alverton and Whitchurch (*de Albo Monasterio*) in the county of Worcester (*sic*²), which Drew de Warentyn and his parceners held and which [are extended] to 60*li*.

One knight's fee with appurtenances in Fyncham, Grich Hakeford, Hergham and Helghton in the same county which John de Benefeld and his tenants held and which [are extended] to 100*s*.³

Mem. 122. Fees in demesne for Elizabeth [Comyn].

	The moiety of one knight's fee with appurtenances in Staunton in county Worcester, which Robert de Staunton held [extended at]	20 marks.
Worcester.	The moiety of one knight's fee in Hull in the same county, which John de Hull held [extended at]	10 <i>li</i> .
	The moiety of one knight's fee with appurtenances in Spechesleye in the same county, which John de Everleye held [extended at]	10 <i>li</i> .

¹ See *post*, p. 122

² None of these appear to be Worcestershire localities.

Mem. 124. Fees in demesne for Elizabeth.

Worcester. The moiety of a knight's fee with appurtenances in Staunton in county Worcester, which Robert de Staunton held [extended at] 20 marks.
 The moiety of a knight's fee with appurtenances in Hull [*Hill*] in the same county, which John de Hull held [extended at] 10*li*.
 The moiety of a knight's fee with appurtenances in Spechesleye in the same county, which John de Everlay held [extended at] 10*li*.

The jury say that the same Aymer died 23 June, 17 Edward II. [1324].

The jury say also that John, son of John de Hastings, and Isabel his wife, which Isabel was sister to the aforesaid Aymer; Joan Comyn, wife of David Straboley, Earl of Atheles; and Elizabeth Comyn her sister, daughters of John Comyn and kinswomen of the same Aymer, are next heirs to the same Aymer; and that the aforesaid John is aged thirty years, the aforesaid Joan is aged twenty-eight [or seven] years, and the aforesaid Elizabeth is aged twenty years [or twenty-four].

[Supplied from other inquisitions, the ages given vary considerably.]

Inq. p.m., 17 Edw. II., No. 75.

XXX.

ALICE¹, WIFE OF GUY DE BEAUCHAMP,
 NAUNTON BEAUCHAMP, WADBOROUGH.

Inquisition taken before John de Hampton, escheator of the lord the King in the county of Worcester, at Newenton, on Friday next after the feast of All Souls (?), 18 Edward II. [A.D. 1324], by the oaths of Giles de Pyriton, Walter de Perdeswelle, John Blanket, John de Codelegh, William le Chamberleyn, Robert de

¹ This was Alice, daughter of Ralph de Toni of Flamsted, co. Herts, widow of Thomas de Laybourne.

la Heth, William Folhardi, William Brudli', John Brudli', John le Porter, John Wale and Thomas de Whytinton, who present that Alice, who was the wife of Guy de Beauchamp, formerly Earl of Warwick, held, upon the day she died, the manor of Newenton¹ with appurtenances in the same county in dower of the inheritance of the heir of the aforesaid Earl, being within age and in the custody of the same King. And they say that the aforesaid manor is held of the King in chief.

The jury say also that in the same manor there is a messuage with a garden and easement of the houses, which is worth yearly 2s.

And there are 80 acres of arable land, worth yearly 20s.; one acre of meadow, worth yearly 18d.; one ruined watermill, worth yearly 3s. 4d. and no more, because it does not work unless in a freshet [*crotina*]²; rents of assise as well of free tenants as bondmen 8*li.* 11s. 3d., payable at the four terms of the year in equal portions. There is there a certain custom upon Christmas Day, which is called "Present hennes," viz. eighteen hens, and it is worth yearly 2s.; and at the feast of Michaelmas for tallage of bondmen 32s. Pleas and perquisites of court there are worth yearly 3s. 4d.

The jury aforesaid say that the aforesaid Alice held in dower upon the day she died, of the inheritance of the heir aforesaid, the manor of Pyriton³ [*Pirton*], in which is one messuage, and it is worth yearly 20d.; one hundred acres of arable land, worth yearly 16s. 8d.; eight acres of meadow, worth yearly 8s.; three acres of pasture, which are worth yearly 12d. and no more, because they are common for the tenants and the neighbours; twelve acres of thorn woods, from which the profit is nothing; one windmill, worth yearly 3s. 4d.; a certain vivary [*? vineyard*], worth yearly 12d.; rents of assize of free tenants 107s. 4½d. at two terms of the year in equal portions.

There is one pound of pepper payable at Easter, price 12d., and one pound of cummin, price 1d., at the same feast. Pleas and perquisites of court there are worth yearly 12s. The manor is in the hands of the king by the death of the said countess.

The jury aforesaid also say that the aforesaid Alice held in

¹ See *ante*, p. 98.

² i.e. requires great force of water to work it.

³ See *ante*, p. 90.

dower of the inheritance of the aforesaid heir a moiety of the manor of Wadberg¹ [*Wadborough*] of the Bishop of Worcester, in which moiety is the moiety of one messuage with appurtenances, and it is worth yearly 12*d.* And there is there the moiety of one park, which is worth yearly 20*s.*; and there are in the said moiety of the manor aforesaid one hundred acres of land, worth yearly 16*s.* 8*d.*; the moiety of one watermill, worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; the moiety of one vivary [*? vineyard*], worth yearly 20*d.*; four and a half acres of meadow, worth yearly 6*s.* 9*d.*; rents of free and bond tenants 6*li.* 10*s.* yearly, payable at the two terms in equal portions. Pleas and perquisites of court are worth yearly 3*s.* 4*d.*

The said Alice held no other lands or tenements upon the day she died in "my" Bailiwick for term of her life of the inheritance of the aforesaid heir.

Writ dated 8 January, 18 Edward II. [1325].

Inq. p.m., 18 *Edw. II.*, No. 82, *mem.* 13.

XXXI.

JOHN DE HASTINGS, INKBERROW.

Inquisition taken before John de Hampton, escheator of the King, at Evesham, on Monday next after the feast of the Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul, 18 Edward II. [A.D. 1325], upon the oaths of John le Rous, Richard de Lench, John de Waltham, Ralph de Chestre, James Intb, John Goule, Thomas de Honybourne, Richard le Noreis, Roger Patun, Richard de Holeweye and Geoffrey Solomon (?), who present that John de Hastyngges², late lord of Borgeveneye [*Abergavenny*], held upon the day he died in his demesne as of fee the manor of Intebergh [*Inkberrow*], with its appurtenances, in the county of Worcester, of the Bishop of Hereford by the service of one knight's fee. They say that in the said manor there is a certain capital messuage with gardens, which is worth yearly 6*s.* 8*d.*; three carucates of land, worth yearly 4*li.* 10*s.*; thirty

¹ See *ante*, pp. 65 and 92.

² This was John Hastings, 3rd Baron. He was Lord of Abergavenny in right of his mother, Joan, sister and heiress of George de Cantelupe, Baron of Abergavenny, and

also by tenure of the Castle of Abergavenny.

He became entitled to Inkberrow through his mother, Isabel, sister and coheir of Aymer de Valence, Earl of Pembroke. See *ante*, p. 116.

acres of meadow, worth yearly 45s.; a certain park, the pasture of which is worth yearly, beyond the keep of wild animals, 6s. 8d. There are rents of assize, as well of free as of bond tenants, 20*li*. There is a windmill and two watermills, which are worth yearly 30s. Pleas and perquisites of court are worth yearly 6s. 8d.

The jury say also that Laurence, son of the said John de Hastings¹, is next heir to the same John, and that he is of the age of six years.

Writ dated 27 January, 18 Edward II. [1325].

Inq. p.m., 18 *Edw. II.*, No. 83, *mem.* 21.

XXXII.

HUGH MUSTEL,

HABBERLEY.

Inquisition taken before John de Hampton, escheator of the King, at Kydermunster, on Thursday next after St. Hillary, 12 Edward II. [1319], upon the oaths of Robert atte Wode, William le Muleward, John Gal . . . , Richard le Guylder (?), Richard le Taylur (?), William le Hayward, Adam Ulf, Henry Cooke, Henry le Taylur, Adam i'th' Hall, William ate (?) Bachouse, and Richard Casschefen (?), who present that Hugh Mustel held nothing of the King in chief in his demesne as of fee upon the day he died in the county of Worcester, but that he held one messuage, two virgates of land, three acres of wood, three acres of meadow, and twenty shillings rent, with appurtenances in Haburleye, within the manor of Kyderm' in the county of Worcester, of John Biset by the service of ten shillings yearly, and three suits of court yearly for all services.

The jury say also that the aforesaid Hugh held upon the day he died, as a fee of John de Handle, ten acres of land and five acres of wood by the service of eleven shillings yearly for all services.

The aforesaid messuage, lands, woods and meadow are worth yearly in all issues 40s.

John, son of the aforesaid Hugh Mustel, is his next heir, and is aged forty years and more.

Writ dated 30 December, 19 Edward II.

Inq. p.m., 19 *Edw. II.*, No. 79, *mem.* 1.

¹ See *ante*, p. 118.

XXXIII.

STEPHEN DE SEGRAVE,
NORTH PIDDLÉ.

Inquisition taken at Worcester before John de Hampton, escheator of the King in that county, on Wednesday next after Epiphany, 19 Edward II. [A.D. 1326], by the oaths of Walter H'berd (?), John de Piplinton, John de London, Walter le Smith, Thomas de Stowe, de L, John Water, Richard de Coulesdon, William fre, John ate Grove, John de Pykeresham, Thomas le Palmer and Adam Hurel, who present that Stephen de Segrave held nothing of the King in chief in the county of Worcester in his demesne as of fee on the day he died, but that he and Alesya his wife held jointly the manor of Northpidele in the same county upon the day he died, to themselves and the heirs of their bodies, as the gift and grant of John de Segrave, father of the aforesaid Stephen, by a certain deed, which is here witnessed.

The aforesaid manor is held of the Earl of Warwick by the service of half a knight's fee for all services¹. There are there one messuage and one garden, which is worth yearly 2s.; two carucates of land, worth yearly 6 marks; one grove (?), worth yearly 2s.; and one windmill, worth yearly 10s. There are rents of assize, as well of free as of bond tenants, five marks. Pleas and perquisites of court are worth yearly 18d.

The jury say also that John de Segrave, son of the aforesaid Stephen, is next heir after the decease of the aforesaid Alesya, wife of the aforesaid Stephen, and is aged nine years and more.

Writ dated 12 December, 19 Edward II. [1326].

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¹ See *ante*, p. 100.

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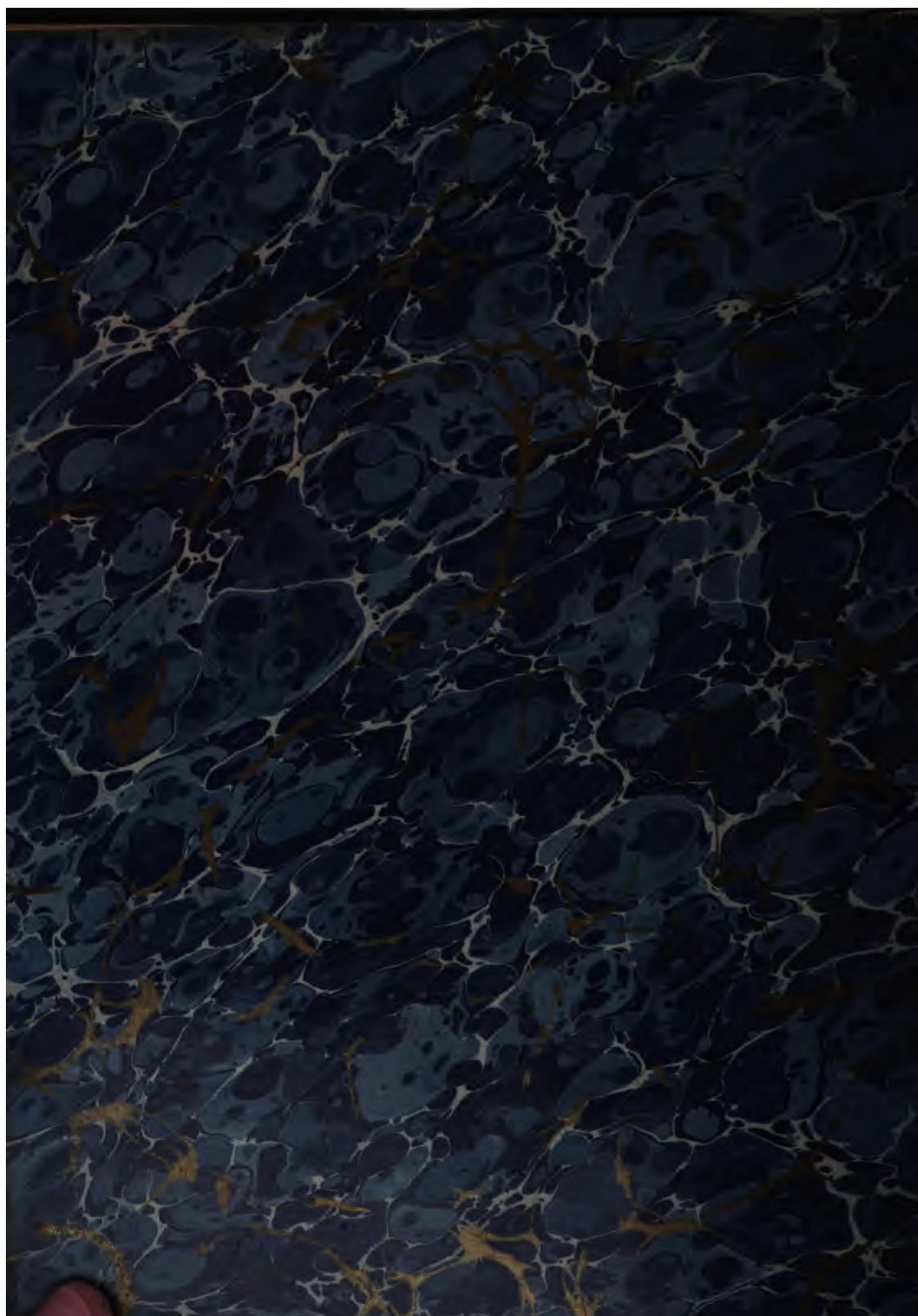
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